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MR. JAMES CROFTS, MINING AND SHAREBROKER,
No. 1, FINCH LANE, LONDON (established 14 years), TRANSACTS every
kind of BUSINESS IN MINING SHARES, but, not being a DEALER, BUYS and SELLS
on orders from the readers of the Journal at the changes and
on the value of mining property, on, or irrespective of, the market; his opinions
are backed by experience, but not offered as infallible. He will be happy to advise
investors into safe investments at all times.
Selected MINES FOR SALE, and recommended:—
DIVIDEND. NON-DIVIDEND.
Providence Mines. Great Wheel Alfred.
Par Consols. Kelly Bray.
Wheat Trelawny. Redmoor.
Mary Ann. West Par Consols.
Herodasfoot. Wheel Edward.
Vale of Towy. Catherine and Jane Consols.
West Basset. North Frances (special).
* Mr. Crofts issues a DAILY LIST OF MINING SHARES (GRATIS).
Bankers: The Commercial Bank of London, Lothbury.

MR. JAMES LANE, No. 29, THREADNEEDLE STREET,
MINING SHARE DEALER.

REMOVAL.—JAMES B. BRENCHELY to 19, TOKENHOUSE
YARD, LOTHBURY (by the Bank of England). Has BUSINESS in the follow-
ing DIVIDEND MINES:—As a BUYER, for cash—
Alfred Consols. Lady Bertha. Trewatha.
Bell and Lanarth. North Basset. South Frances.
Cargill. Mary Ann. South Basset.
East Tamar. Par Consols. West Fowey.
As a SELLER—
Buller, £230. 5 Great Alfred, £25%. 2 Providence.
Condor, £267%. 20 Kelly Bray, £2 11s. 3d. 30 Redmoor.
Copper Hill, £165%. 5 Kitty (Leland). 1 South Canadon, £402%.
Ding Dong, £119%. 20 Sorridge Consols, £17%. 20 West Rosewarne (offer
Devon Consols, £490. 2 Mary Ann, £47. 2 Trelawny, £26%.
Grahamer, £114. 5 North Frances. 25 Wheel Zion, 4s.
Bankers: London and Westminster, Lothbury.

PETER WATSON, ENGLISH AND FOREIGN STOCK,
SHARE, AND MINING OFFICES,
3, OLD BROAD STREET, LONDON, E.C.

The lease of my offices and adjoining buildings having expired, and the Magnetic Telegraph Company having taken the site for building a large establishment and offices, I
to inform my friends, subscribers, and correspondents, that I have taken temporary
premises as above, until the new offices are ready.

A SPECIAL REPORT (WEEKLY) WILL APPEAR IN
PETER WATSON'S "MINING CIRCULAR," by his own Agents. ABRIDGED
REPORTS will also be given, and important information on the present and future opera-
tions and prospects of mines throughout Cornwall and Devon, with advice thereon as
to purchase or sale of shares.
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3, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.

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Cargill, £4-5. North Frances, £7-8. West Par, 14s.-16s.
Ding Dong, £10-12. North Levant, £4-5. West Wh. Seton, £280-285.
East Alfred, £11-2. North Rosecar, £17-4-20. Wheel Butler, £225-235.
East Russell, £25-6. Par Consols, £18-19. Wheel Basset, £215-225.
East Trefusis, £2-3. Pendine Consols, £24-3/4. Wheel Charlotte, £27-7/4.
East Basset, £27-1/2-92-6. Providence, £25-60. Wheel Grenville, £26-30s.
East Alfred, £25-6. Redmoor, 7s.-8s. Wh. Mary Ann, £45-47-1/4.
East Basset, £27-8. St. Frances, £225-235. Wheel Margery, £12-12-1/2.
Lady Bertha, £7-1. Tolvaaden, £5-5/4. Wh. Trelawny, £24-1/2-25-1/2.
I have selected the above, as they are selling remarkably low; and I have no doubt
a majority of them will have a considerable rise during the year.
All orders promptly attended to. Commission 1 1/2 per cent. on all transactions.
Mr. LELEAN, Broker and Share Dealer.
4, Cashion-court, Old Broad-street, July 9, 1858.

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STOCK EXCHANGE, CHESTERFIELD, is prepared to ADVISE as to IN-
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Mines well selected are the best investments, paying from 15 to 30 per cent. on the
day. They have to OFFER SHARES in most of the DIVIDEND and PROGRESSIVE
MINES, and are ready to give every information relative to all mining matters.
Dated July 9, 1858.

MR. BRENTON SYMONS, LAND AND MINERAL SURVEYOR,
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of every description, either at home or abroad. Mr. SYMONS having an office for litho-
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SECTIONS, &c., of MINERAL PROPERTY; having the whole work under his imme-
diate superintendence, thus saving the time and expense necessary in transmitting the
same from the surveyor to the lithographer.
MINES SUPPLIED with CIRCULARS, CERTIFICATES, BOOKS, TUTORIALS and
BIBLICAL PAY-SHEETS, SHARE TRANSFERS, &c. Specimens sent free by post on
application.

GEORGE SPATLEY begs most respectfully to inform the
SHAREHOLDERS in Wheel Harriett, Great Polgoth, Mary Ann, Wheel Tre-
way, Providence Mines, Sperrin Consols, Kelly Bray, West Par, Wheel Margaret,
Minor, 30 Condor, and Carn Brea, that he can SECURE PURCHASERS for
SHARES in these MINES; and that his charge for so doing will be 2 1/2 per cent. under
100, and 1 1/2 per cent. for larger amounts. To any one desirous of making a purchase,
the DIVIDEND MINES are SPECIALLY RECOMMENDED, as being the cheapest
shares in the market, because interest is immediately accruing upon the amount invested,
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15, Old Broad-street, London, E.C.

HENRY GOULD SHARP, 32, POULTRY, LONDON, E.C.,
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50 North Tavy, 6s. 9d. 20 Kelly Bray, £2 15s. 40 Redmoor, 7s. 6d.
50 Lady Bertha, 18s. 3d. 20 Sorridge Consols, 28s. 50 Queen of Dart, 5s.
50 North Edward, £23%. 20 Vale of Towy, 21s. 6d. 5 North Frances, £37%.
1 Providence, £26%. 10 E. Wh. Russell, £5 18s. 9d. 20 Gr. Wh. Alf., £2 18s. 9d.
50 Wheel Harriett, 24s. 10 North Robert, £23%. 50 So. Lady Bertha, 3s. 9d.
20 North Trelawny, 9s. 6d. 1 South Frances, £23 1/2%. 50 West Par, 18s.
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Notice.—The "Capitalists' Guide" sent on receipt of two postage stamps.

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GEORGE BUDGE, of 4, ROYAL EXCHANGE BUILDINGS,
LONDON, will be glad to RECEIVE ORDERS for the PURCHASE and SALE
of MINING, RAILWAY, and every OTHER DESCRIPTION of SHARES, which he
will effect at the closest market prices, and with prompt attention.
FOR SALE.—30 Drake Wells, 50s.; 50 Tamar Consols, 17s. 6d.; 100 Redmoor, 7s. 6d.;
50 Dale, 14s. 6d.; 5 Par Consols, £18 1/4; 50 Toldy, 15s.; 25 Pendine, 1 South Frances,
50 Vale of Towy, 21s. 6d.; 5 North Rosecar, 2 Mary Ann, 25 Kelly Bray, £2 13s. 6d.;
5 Trelawny, 21s. 6d.; 50 Sorridge Consols, 50 East Alfred, 25 North Robert, £3 1/2;
5 Trewatha.

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prices, FREE OF ANY COMMISSION:—

DIVIDEND. NON-DIVIDEND.
5 Bedford United, £26%. 20 Great Wheel Vor, £13%. 20 Tamar Consols, 16s. 9d.
50 Bwch. 1 Rosewarne Uni., £12 1/2%. 20 Vale of Towy, 20s. 3d.
1 Grambl. and St. Aubyn. 25 Sorridge Consols, £13%. 1 West Canadon, £101.
1116%. 1 Sou. Wh. Frances, £230. 10 Wheel Edward, £25%.
3 Great Sou. Tolgas, £15. 10 St. Day United, 11s. 6d.
1 East Basset, £25. 25 Lady Bertha, 18s. 9d. 20 Wheel Harriett.
15 E. Gunnis Lake, £13%. 10 Nor. Wh. Robert, £23%. 20 West Rosewarne (offer
10 Gr. Wh. Alf., £2 18s. 9d. 20 Redmoor, 7s. 4 1/2d. wanted).
50 West Grenville, 4s. 4 1/2d.

PURCHASERS of undoubted respectability can register transfers and receive CERTI-
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In any business that GEORGE MOORE is favoured with, in which he is the buyer, he
will give CASH ON RECEIPT OF TRANSFER.

MESSRS. J. J. REYNOLDS AND SON,
No. 1, ROYAL EXCHANGE BUILDINGS, LONDON, E.C. ENGLISH AND
FOREIGN STOCK, RAILWAY, AND MINING SHAREBROKERS, beg to inform
their friends and the public that the present time is a FAVOURABLE OPPORTUNITY
for INVESTMENT in many undertakings of a substantial character, paying dividends
worthy the attention of the capitalist.
Every information can be obtained at their offices, which their practical experience
enables them to give, not only of mines and other properties of established value, but of
those that are not.

MESSRS. POWELL AND COOKE,
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Messrs. POWELL and COOKE have selected about 20 Dividend and good Progressive
Mines, which they consider worth buying. The Dividend Mines pay 12 1/2 to 17 1/2 per
cent. per annum on the present market price; and the Progressive will, in all probability,
considerably advance in value during the year. A list of the above, and prices of same,
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Messrs. POWELL and COOKE are BUYERS of shares in Great Wheel Alfred, Wheel
Edward, Kelly Bray, Wheel Harriett, East Wheel Russell, Vale of Towy, Wheel Mary
Ann, and Catherine and Jane Consols. Business transacted at net prices.
Dated July 9, 1858.

JAMES HERRON has FOR SALE the following SHARES, at
the prices quoted, and FREE OF COMMISSION:—

35 Bwch Consols, 4s. 9d. 20 Great Sheba. 5 Par Consols, £193%.
15 Bon Accord, 25s. 9d. 20 Garrow, 7s. 9d. 10 Sorridge Cons., 37s. 6d.
10 Bryntal, 37s. 6d. 1 Gr. and St. Aubyn, £120. 100 So. Lady Bertha, 3s. 6d.
10 Belling Well, 32s. 6d. 10 Great Alfred. 20 Tamar Consols, 18s. 9d.
14 Cather. and Jane, 7s. 9d. 10 Grenville, 29s. 9d. 5 Tincroft, £3 13s. 9d.
1 Cefn Brynwy, £44%. 10 Great Hewas, 16s. 9d. 1 Trewatha, 18s. 9d.
20 Cwm Sebon, 24s. 6d. 5 Herodasfoot, £25%. 1 Trelawny, £25%.
50 Castell, 3s. 9d. 5 Hingston Down. 20 Vale of Towy, 20s. 9d.
20 Chancellorsville, 1s. 6d. 2 Kitty (Leland), £29%. 1 Wheel Margaret.
40 Dev. Burra Burra, £17%. 10 Kelly Bray, 58s. 9d. 1 Wh. Mary Ann, £47 1/2%.
Messrs. VIVIAN and REYNOLDS have daily information from the principal seats of mining,
which is at the service of those who may honour them with their confidence.
1 Ding Dong, £16. 20 Lady Bertha. 5 North Basset, £20%.
5 East Russell, £25 17s. 6d. 20 Nant. and Penrh., 22s. 9d. 50 West Grenville, 4s. 9d.
20 East Rosewarne, 11s. 9d. 30 North Tavy, 10s. 6d. 3 West Sharp Tor, £34.
5 E. Wh. Rose, £2 17s. 6d. 100 New Crow Hill, 10s. 6d. 5 Willow Bank, 9s. 9d.
10 East Margaret, £23%. 5 North Wheel Croft. 10 W. Providence, 26s. 9d.
5 Great Wh. Huay, £23%. 5 North Basset, £20%. 1 West Canadon.
50 Glaston United, 10s. 9d. 5 North Frances.
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which is at the service of those who may honour them with their confidence.
Mr. Crofts is under a wrong impression if he supposes his remarks upon the system of
advertising prices has caused Mr. HERRON to make the slightest alteration in his weekly
list, as is proved by comparing the number of mines he advertised on the 16th May and
26th June, the periods named by Mr. Crofts. He is also in error if he thinks the list is
not attentively read, and of essential service to parties desirous of investing in mining
property; and this need not create surprise, as care is taken to ensure confidence by the
delivery of shares, whenever promptly applied for, at the prices quoted. Mr. HERRON
thinks it unnecessary at present more fully to explain the advantages the public derive
from this system, but begs to state that his list will continue to appear as usual.
2, Adam's-court, Old Broad-street, London, July 9, 1858.

MESSRS. VIVIAN AND REYNOLDS, MINE AGENTS,
68, OLD BROAD STREET, LONDON, E.C.

Messrs. VIVIAN and REYNOLDS are enabled, through the long experience of Mr. W. C.
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countries, to afford information on most important mining districts; and to inspect and
report on mines. They are also enabled, by the several years' acquaintance of Mr. J. J.
Reynolds, Jun., with the transactions of the London share market, to obtain every advantage
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Messrs. VIVIAN and REYNOLDS have daily information from the principal seats of mining,
which is at the service of those who may honour them with their confidence.

Messrs. VIVIAN and REYNOLDS have the following SHARES FOR SALE:—
1 West Seton, £295. 20 Sou. Condor, 2s. 6d. 25 Great Wh. Vor, 33s. 9d.
5 Par Consols, £19. 10 East Alfred, £11%. 5 Alfred Consols, £10 1/4%.
10 Sorridge Consols, 28s. 5 North Frances, £37%. 20 Dale.
1 South Frances. 10 Great Wheel Huay, £3. 20 North Rosecar.
10 St. Day United, 16s. 20 East Rosewarne, 17s. 6d. 5 Sou. Wh. Basset, £20%.
2 St. Ives Consols. 20 Wheel Harriett, £13%. 5 North Basset.
10 Drake Wells, 29s. 9d. 1 West Daniel. 1 Carn Brea.
5 Vale of Towy, 21s. 9d. 10 West Grenville, 4s. 9d. 5 Great Wh. Alfred, £26%.
1 Wheel Margaret. 5 West Stray Park, £3. 20 North Wheel Wrey.
1 Camborne Venn. 10 North Croft, £4 1/4%.
BUYERS of New Wheel Vor, £30 1/2%.

MR. WILLIAM MOORE, STOCK AND SHAREDEALER,
11, HERCULES CHAMBERS, OLD BROAD STREET.
N.B. Business transacted in every description of stock and shares.

MR. J. W. GILBERT, MINE AND SHARE DEALER,
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Mr. J. W. GILBERT, having had many years' practical experience as a mine agent in
different parts of the county, can give reliable information to parties speculating.

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FOREIGN MINES, INSURANCE, RAILWAYS, &c. The great impetus given to
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Dividend and Progressive Mines; the former paying safely 15 per cent., whilst the latter
not only attain that state, but rise in value from 1 to 500 per cent. The following shares
present every prospect of success:—

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Lady Virginia. East Wheel Russell. United Mines, Devon.
Devon Burra Burra. Hingston Down. Wheel Margery.
Barf. Tolvaaden. Wheel Arthur.

MR. H. HUXHAM, COLLIERY VIEWER AND MINING
ENGINEER, UNDERTAKES THE SURVEYING, VALUING, or AGENCY of
MINERAL PROPERTY, THE WINNING, WORKING, or VIEWING of COLLIERIES,
&c., on moderate terms; and begs to assure those who may favour him with their com-
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Cornish Mines, well selected, pay better than any other description of securities, are
freer from risks, and entail less responsibilities than banks and other joint-stock com-
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desirous of MEETING with a PARTNER, with a small capital, to join him
working the same upon a more extended scale than it is being worked at present. The
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PANY, at home or abroad. Unexceptionable references can be given: Any party pro-
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 stone, which are referred to by Mr. Higson in the report made by him.

The quality is eminently adapted for smelting, steam, and other purposes, and is also
 particularly suitable for exportation, being identical in character with the Hartley coals
 of the North.

The great and increasing demand is shown by the fact that "the export of coal from
 the Mersey has risen from 150,340 tons in 1848, to 723,982 tons in 1857, being an increase
 in nine years of 583,642 tons, or an average annual increase of 65,000 tons."

In addition to the lime and coal, there exists in the freehold estate large deposits of
 ironstone, which can be profitably disposed of to the ironmasters of the neighbourhood.
 The vendors of the collieries have agreed to accept the purchase-money in paid-up shares
 of the company, thereby indicating their entire confidence in the undertaking.

From the reports and calculations of their advisers, the directors are warranted in an-
 ticipating that a profit will be realised on the capital at the rate of 30 per cent. per annum.
 The directors invite investigation of the calculations, by which the profits of the un-
 derstanding are shown, and which, with the reports of the gentlemen referred to, and de-
 tailed prospectuses, may be obtained on application to the solicitor or secretary of the
 company, and reference may be made to any of the directors, and to I. BOOTH, Esq., Hol-
 linwood, Manchester; J. HIGSON, Esq., 94, Cross-street, Manchester; to DANIEL CROFT-
 WAITE, Esq., and Messrs. THOMAS COGILL and SON, shareholders, Liverpool; and G. A.
 CAPE, Junr., Esq., 173, Fenchurch-street, London.

In the case of shares being paid-up in full, the company will allow interest at the rate
 of 4½ per cent. per annum upon the balance paid-up beyond the sum for the time being
 of £5 per share.

The company being limited, shareholders having paid-up their shares in full are ex-
 empted from all further liability.

Forms of application for shares may be had on application to the secretary, FRANCIS
 OWEN, Esq., 6, Castle-street, Liverpool; or from any of the directors or referees.

Original Correspondence.

THE IRON TRADE—MINING IN ALGERIA.

SIR,—In the *Mining Journal* of last week it is remarked that "the first step towards the development of the mineral resources of Algeria has been made by M. Talabot, whose name is well known in France from his connection with industrial enterprise," &c. As the paragraph does not inform your readers the nature of the mines, &c., perhaps a few observations on the subject may be interesting, from one of a party who recently accompanied M. Talabot on a tour of inspection to his different mines in Sardinia as well as in Algeria.

The iron mines in Algeria are without doubt the most extensive I have ever seen, and the ore produces not only the best grey pig-iron, but crude steel (*acier cassé*) at pleasure, and yields in the furnace 66 per cent. of metal: this is the result when smelted alone, but it has been satisfactorily proved to produce much better results when smelted in conjunction with ores of a poorer quality. These very desirable qualities will certainly cause it soon generally to become better known; at present, however, its qualities are fully appreciated in France, to which country it is shipped in considerable quantities. It is smelted with coke near Marseilles, and with charcoal in about 30 Catalan furnaces near the Pyrenees, being sent by rail from the sea to Toulouse. Furnaces in the North of France also use it. Near Bône it is also smelted by a Parisian company, who have there two well-conducted blast-furnaces; one only is in blast at the present time, using charcoal brought from Corsica, producing with cold-blast 70 tons of crude steel weekly, which is sent to Marseilles, where it is sold at upwards of nine pounds per ton. The peculiarity of the pig-iron is its ductility and strength. The mines, or rather open quarries, from which the ore hitherto shipped has been worked, are situated at Rarezas, about seven miles inland from Bône; these are connected with the Seybouse River by a railway, on which the first locomotive was started last month; another is nearly ready for shipment. The ore is loaded in lighters, and conveyed to vessels at anchor in the roadstead of Bône. For towing these over the bar, and clearing the channel, a steamboat was sent out from here, and a capacious screw steam-barge, fitted with suitable steam-crane, &c., will follow in a week or two. By these means larger quantities of ore can be shipped, as the orders have vastly accumulated.

At a few miles distance from the Rarezas Mines is the mountain Mokta el Hadid (the iron quarry), formerly worked by the Romans. This mountain of iron ore is nearly of the same quality as the Rarezas; it is highly magnetic, and contains by the analysis given me—Peroxide of iron, 66.00; protoxide, 29.00; carbonate of lime, 2.20; ditto magnesia, 0.2; silica, 0.2; alumina, 0.6; water, 1.8=100. It is, in fact, one mass of ore, apparently of the same quality, showing to view a face of several hundred yards in extent, and about 400 ft. high; it is calculated to contain in one compact mass not less than 125,000,000 tons above the level of the plain.

It is the opinion of practical men that this ore will be very largely used in this country, as it can be brought here and to Wales at a price that will compete successfully with the ores at present in use; whilst from its superior quality, and the fact that crude steel is made from it, such quantities can now be produced that it will no longer be necessary to allow Prussia and Belgium to take the lead of this country in the production of puddled steel, which at present is the case, solely in consequence of our not possessing the suitable raw material, or being able to procure it at a paying price.

Tees Side Iron-works, Middlesbro', July 7.

JOHN PLAYER.

FEAR OF CALLS.

SIR,—Several remarkable instances have lately occurred of shareholders in mines having sold or abandoned their shares prematurely, in consequence of fearing, or disliking to face, further calls, such as in Bryntail Mine, Wheal Glynn, more recently in Wheal Harriett, and probably in Wheal Zion. I am induced, with your permission, to offer a few remarks on the subject, to which I am prompted by a recent perusal of the history of the New River Company; and it may not be deemed out of place to cite such a history, when it is remembered that Sir Hugh Middleton was enabled to bring this work, by means of his own funds alone, as far as Enfield, in Middlesex, in consequence of being the lucky proprietor of a lead mine in Wales, which, as is well known, yielded him an immense fortune, and is actually still at work, realising handsome profits. To make this New River bear upon the question of calls, it will be necessary to sketch its history.

The water was brought into the basin at Islington on September 29, 1613. There were originally twenty-nine shares, the proprietors of which were incorporated under the name of the "New River Company," in 1619, in the reign of James I., who having advanced Sir Hugh £500, to complete the undertaking, became proprietor of one-half the whole work, but without any share in the management. In 1633 (14 years after its completion) a dividend was declared of 11s. 9d. per share. The second dividend was 2s. 4d. per share; whilst, instead of a third dividend, a call was expected, Charles the First resolved, as the history states, "to get rid of such a hazardous affair," and sold his moiety in the concern for an annuity of 5000, to him and his successors. The royal moiety, so conveyed, was divided into 36 shares, to equal the other moiety, called "Adventurers' Shares," divided into 36 also, being 72 shares in the whole, and called respectively King's and Adventurers' shares. Two of the former shares are burdened with the annuity, which makes the latter shares, in modern phraseology, "preference" ones. If the total cost of the work of bringing the water, by means of a canal, 39 miles in length, estimated by the fact that only 5000, was required to complete it from Enfield (by the rail 10 miles from London), there is probably no such instance on record of a rise in the value of any property in any course of time—the 72 shares being worth at this time in the market no less than one million one hundred and fifty-two thousand pounds, or about sixteen thousand pounds per share!

Considering the increased value of money in the present day, the "fear of calls" on the part of the unfortunate monarch, however appropriate to the present question, is a rather amusing incident, especially in the history of kings; but the consenting to the alienation of property instead of paying calls certainly was a great mistake, and so it often is with timid holders of mining shares, of which your Journal teems with proof. The rationale of the whole question appears to me to be, that what is worth one person's interest to buy is worth another person's interest to hold, setting aside on the part of the latter any urgent necessity to sell. The history of five dividend mines out of ten (to confine the question to that class of investments) would probably furnish proofs that one-half of the proprietors in each had at some time or other "stepped into the shoes" of some former timid adventurers, and are, as a consequence, now enjoying the fortune which was thus the reward of either a little more almost nominal outlay, confidence, perseverance, deliberation, and so on, or whatever else was wanting, thrown away.

Finch-lane, Cornhill, July 6.

JAMES CHOPIN.

MAIN DRAINAGE OF LONDON, AND PURIFICATION OF THE THAMES.

SIR,—In my communication of last week, upon these subjects, I quite forgot to mention that if the Government persist in making it a *sine qua non* that no sewage shall pass into the upper part of the river, and thereby necessitate the use of intercepting sewers, I should then recommend their formation (in connection with my plans already published for effecting these objects, and fully described in Nos. 1186 and 1193 of your Journal) in manner following—viz., the constructing of an intercepting sewer on the north side of the river, to commence and proceed from my proposed weir across the Thames at Battersea along the side of the river till opposite Tower Hill, then veering to the left under the hill north of the several docks (so as to avoid their entrances from the river), under the Regent's Canal, and then in the direction of the Commercial-road, and in a direct line from thence across the Isle of Dogs, and along the side of the river into Woolwich Reach. And another intercepting sewer on the south side, which should also commence at and proceed from such weir at Battersea along the side of the river to within a short distance of the Surrey Docks (also to avoid their entrances from the river), into Greenwich Reach, and along the side of the river to East Greenwich, and thence in a direct line also into Woolwich Reach, where such intercepting sewers would admit of any required extension, if at any future time it might be deemed desirable to convey the sewage passing through them lower down the river, to be there or thence propelled onwards under low water level by the copious and powerful streams of water issuing through the central passages of and over my proposed weir, in Blackwall Reach or Barge's Reach. These intercepting sewers, passing along the sides of the river in the first instance, being allowed to encroach upon its bed sufficiently to afford increased wharf accommodation, with elevated railways above, supported upon pillars, to admit of passengers and goods being conveyed thereon between the several bridges, and from and to the various wharves, docks, &c., as proposed and submitted by me in the month of February, 1857, to the referees appointed by Sir Benjamin Hall, in connection with another project of mine, for effecting the drainage of London, &c., and afterwards fully described in No. 37 of the *Building News*, and also in No. 1149 of your Journal, in which and in No. 1186, I have also described certain means of collecting, conveying away, and utilising all the excrementitious portion of London sewage, which, if put in practice so as to prevent heretofore any portion thereof from entering and contaminating the ordinary sewers, the water of the Thames or the metropolitan atmosphere would, in my humble opinion, render the employment of such intercepting sewers unnecessary, although, of course an advantage, leaving the cost of their construction entirely out of the question. But, even if adopted, they would never be the means of keeping the river in a state of absolute purity, as it ever must be the recipient of the refuse from shipping, as well as of numerous deleterious substances and fluids cast into it, which no degree of vigilance can prevent, with such an immense population on its banks, which I never can believe will in future be selected for residential purposes now that such inexpensive facilities exist for getting into the country by rail, boat, or omnibus. Neither do I expect any metropolitan extension in the direction of the river beyond Barge's Reach in any considerable degree for many years to come, from the lowness of the ground, particularly on the north side; so that the methods now proposed for draining the metropolis to that point may be considered sufficient and final, perhaps, for ages yet to come, without the necessity of incurring any further outlay.

Another advantage, which I have neglected to mention as arising from keeping the river so high a level above the weir at Battersea, consists in the improvement of the navigation upwards as far as Teddington, which at present is very much impeded by

shallows at low water, as well as for affording a supply of any quantity of water for propelling the sewage through such intercepting sewers (if ever constructed) into Woolwich Reach.—July 5.

W. H. JAMES, C.E.
Eldest Son and Assistant of the unrequited Originator and Founder of the Modern Railway System.*

THE TRANSATLANTIC TELEGRAPH.

SIR,—When I ventured in your Journal of Feb. 6 and 20 last to call attention to this subject, it was solely with the view of giving my humble opinion as to the impropriety of the attempt then designed to saddle our small capitalists with the risks of this project, by a subdivision of the 10000 shares, and by a rig on the share market. I did intend to continue my observations, and demonstrate, on scientific grounds, the utter inadequacy of the plans in course of execution, but the withdrawal of the proposed conversion of shares induced me to withhold any further opposition till a full and fair trial had been made of the modifications which were deemed by the company conducive to success.

We have now the result of the second experiment, communicated by the telegraph, on the arrival of the *Niagara* and *Gorgon* at Queenstown—the disastrous failure of the undertaking; and it is well it is no worse. Had a storm, such as lately desolated many parts of England, struck with its full force the overburdened ships of the squadron, it is scarcely to be doubted that, in addition to the present disappointment, we might have now to deplore a fearful sacrifice of human life. To avert such a calamity, I resume once more the obligation of endeavouring to attract the attention of the Government, and of your readers, whose influence, on account of their connection with our leading scientific and commercial constituencies, cannot be doubted, to the folly of persevering in a project inevitably doomed to defeat.

Can our Government, with the tests of the experimental cruise in the Bay of Biscay, as well as the present abortive effort before them, conscientiously lend themselves to the further prosecution of an enterprise, where there exists not only the disgrace of repeated frustration, but also the serious probability of the sad catastrophe at which I have hinted, of the endangering of one or both of the noble ships employed to lay the cable? I protest that noautical engineer of capacity or repute could anticipate any other consequence of the operation with the means employed than that which has been just reported. Is there none such in the pay of the Admiralty to advise Her Majesty's Ministers in so momentous a case? Is our hydrographer merely a draftsman, and our naval surveyor a ship's architect, or simple sailors, without the attainments of an engineer? If so, we pay "too dear for our whistle," as poor Richard says, in allowing them the bounteous salaries they enjoy; for it must be within the experience and competency of any naval engineer to pronounce a condemnation on the plans proposed. I do not say that such a judgment was altogether justified by the first evidence submitted—the off-hand assertion of Murray, and the apparently matter-of-fact survey of Berryman. The heaven-formed bed, "soft as a snow bank," according to the former, and the "telegraphic plateau" of the latter, were, it must be admitted, inducements to arrest the imputation of absurdity that the natural inferences from all facts hitherto accredited were calculated to suggest.

It would have been excusable to proceed on such semi-official information were there nothing further to offer for satisfactory adjudication; it would have passed to posterity, as one of the multitudinous instances of official inaptitude to be recorded. What I complain of, and what I call on every sound intelligence to join me in reproaching, is that, having better information, however lately obtained, our authorities should persist in sanctioning the obstinate desperation of a clique of speculators, by lending our ships and seamen, and public funds, to repeat an attempt demonstrable from the previous proceedings to be utterly futile.

I do not specially refer to the cruise in the Baltic, to which, however, I shall have to advert, should your space permit of the continuation of the subject. That was, we were assured, satisfactory, highly satisfactory—an assertion that was repeated by the "own correspondent" of your grand contemporary, to silence the loud murmurs of the Plymouth sceptic, who from the satisfactory "was" went on to say, "the failure of the ship was on that occasion having been pre-determined, the smashing, twisting, and cutting dangle and loss being part of the play—spare cable to be expended, just to get their hands in. And now, with a vengeance, they have got their hands into that sort of work, for it is said they have lost to the tune of 25,000,000, worth of cable (more probably double the quantity) at the very beginning of the paying-out."

The main points of my impeachment are—First, that having, as if by the way, or of pure accident, obtained a comparatively trustworthy survey of the track of the intended submergence contractions, in essential and fundamental items, the original cause of the promoters of the scheme, the Government, should have advanced a step further until the discrepancy was examined; for if not an unintentional and accidental variance, the basis of the project was a swindle, and nothing less. Next, that having taken two false steps in the affair—namely, the omission to verify the interested allegations of the company, and when those allegations were invalidated the sanction of the expedition without due investigation—having, after these two mistakes, attained to absolute certainty as to the nature of the risks involved by the interruption of the magnetic current and the rupture of the cable, it was permitted to the promoters of the company to proceed without having first published Captain Dayman's report, and invited the scientific world to be the jurors of the case, and without instituting the most complete investigation on every branch of the subject.

It does appear to me that this is a very grave matter, for unless the late Government acted *de parti pris*, the imputation is naturally raised of culpable and reckless folly.

I thus early address you to implore our present rulers not to follow in the footsteps of their predecessors. If Mr. Cyrus Field and the rest of his lot, his coadjutors, are really of "Her Majesty's Service," as his dispatch professes, let there be no hole-in-corner dealing with the business; let us have the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; and, before any further probability is committed, let the public be informed what the ships have returned, as well as the minutest details of their operations; and, further, how the directors of the company can presume to calculate on success with such a series of misfortunes, decisive, to impartial minds, as to the consequence of their rash and ruinous persistence. Your co-operation I also implore, as one of the leading scientific organs, to excite your readers to join my demand for full and prompt investigation, and for the authoritative interposition of the responsible Minister.

July 6.

ECLAIR.

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

SIR,—According to the report mentioned in my last, the causes of railway accidents are—inattention of servants, defective materials, and excessive speed. In the opinion of the committee, the strict personal supervision of the companies themselves could alone provide against the two first causes; but in case they fail to pay more attention to this point in future they are, as it were, warned that in some way or other they will be compelled to do so. To ensure the carefulness and attention of servants holding responsible posts, I would suggest to the companies the appointment of a superior class of men, with an adequate salary, and who, from their position and education, could be better appreciated and would be more alive to the importance of that responsibility. The remedies recommended for excessive speed are everything that could be desired—not by the companies, but by the public. The committee are of opinion "that it should be imperative on railway companies to establish a means of communication between the guards and engine-drivers of the trains, which has been clearly demonstrated by a number of accidents that have lately happened, and which, had such a system been then in use, would either have been prevented or rendered much less serious. I am, however, at a loss to understand the reason why these means should not be available for passengers also. It is true that with a system of communication between guards and engine-drivers the former would be enabled to signal the latter to shut off steam, reverse the engine, &c., in order to stop the train in case of necessity. The guard would also be enabled to signal to the engine-driver to quicken speed in case of a train coming up behind; or the engine-driver would be able to signal the guard to apply the brake in case of a train being stopped, or, for instance, a carriage was to take fire, the chances are now decidedly against the probability of the guard or engine-driver being aware of it in time to stop the train before serious damage is done either to passengers or property. The probability of such an occurrence alone ought to be a sufficient reason why the means of communication should be made available for passengers. I believe the adoption of this means was recommended by the committee at their preceding meeting.

There is another means, conducive not only to the safety but to the comfort of railway passengers, and which would consist in increasing the width of the rails and, consequently, of the wheels. Before Parliament allows the construction of other lines, I would recommend this suggestion to their careful consideration.

There is only one precaution that the committee opine is better left to the management of the railway boards, which I believe merits more attention than has been given to it. I allude to railway breaks. The more breaks there are to a train, the more control, I presume, the guard will have as regards the stopping of it. The largest proportion of railway accidents arise from collisions, and if the guard could have entire control over the train many or most of these accidents could be prevented. But as he cannot have the entire control, let him, at least, have as much as possible, by providing efficacious brakes, and in larger numbers. The officers of the Board of Trade recommend "the application of additional break-power to the carriages" in their report on the accidents which have occurred during the first four months of the present year.

The select committee appear to have thoroughly investigated the matter. They have found out the "causes," and prescribed the "remedies." The Board of Trade will, no doubt, apply to Parliament for power to carry out their recommendations; and, if a little more activity could be infused into hon. Members, the public would have some chance of being able to travel a short distance per rail without a reasonable fear of loss of life or limbs. I would humbly suggest to railway companies to provide the preventive means recommended by the committee before they suffer the humiliation of being compelled to do so. As far as these means have reference to mechanical contrivances, they will find that there are already innumerable inventions from among which they would undoubtedly find some that would answer the purpose in every respect. Indeed, it has been a matter of no little surprise to me to find that so many inventors have devoted their time and energies to the perfection of appliances for safety in railway travelling, when in no single instance has any encouragement been given them.

In conclusion, allow me to state that I could have quoted numerous accidents that have lately occurred in support of the views expressed in this letter, but have refrained from doing so because, doubtless, they will be still fresh in the memory of your readers, and also because one quotation would have necessitated many others, and thus encroached too much on your valuable space.

London, July 8.

AN UNINSURED RAILWAY TRAVELLER.

REWORKING OLD AND DEEP MINES.

SIR,—Among the many important subjects which are referred to in your Journal is that of the vast amount of capital which has of late years been applied to the reworking of old and deep mines. Is it not astonishing to find enterprising men, and men of education too, investing capital for the purpose of scraping these egg shells from which the yolk of the egg has long since been taken? Taking your List as my guide, I find that there has already been laid out in four of these old worthless no less than 400,000,000, and yet not one of them is returning a farthing to the shareholders. If we reckon 5 per cent. interest on this money it would return 20,000,000 yearly—sufficient for the development of any one new mine with ordinary prospects. Now, supposing this 400,000,000, to be employed in mining, would it not be better to apply it in the opening of new ground, and in exploring lodges from the surface? It would set 20 new mines to work, with a capital of 20,000,000, each. Can it be doubted that, if the ground be carefully selected by judicious persons, the speculator would meet his deserved reward? I calculate that at least 10 out of the 20 of these mines would, if placed in the right hands to manage, be brought to a profitable state of working before the above sums were expended upon them. Supposing these 10 mines to work 3000, a month each, it would amount to 36,000,000 yearly, and in 30 years would re-

* See *Mining Journal*, Nos. 1160, 1162, 1165, and 1167.

turn over 1,000,000,000 profits. The other 10 mines would at least return the amount expended on them.

Surely speculating gentlemen must connect themselves with old mines from want of experience, or because they have been great undertakers. From what has been done within the last five or ten years, we might almost expect that the Gwennap Great Consols would be resumed soon, and 200,000,000, or 300,000,000, invested in it, to no purpose whatever. Doubtless some captain could be found who would say that there are thousands of tons left in it, that it never looked better than when it was knocked last, that had it not been for so-and-so it never would have been stopped, &c. That there may be a great deal of ore left behind I do not deny; but the question is, will it pay the cost of working and the interest of the money invested? No, never. Perhaps some one will say that I am wrong, and that there are many old mines that have been forsaken by the first party and reworked that have paid, and are even now paying, well for working. True, this is the case; but what has been the cause of the abandonment?—in many instances bad management. The pockets of the shareholders have been emptied to fill those of the projectors, or the shareholders have become poor, and from want of capital have been obliged to give up the mine, and leave what has been done for the benefit of others. I know many instances of this, where a large amount of capital has been judiciously expended, but the cost has not been fairly estimated in the beginning; but can any one inform me where a mine 300 fms. deep below adit has been worked to any considerable profit? We will suppose a mine to be 250 fms. below adit, which is 30 fms. from surface; there would thus be 220 fms. to provide materials, &c., for; it would cost 250,000,000, and take three years to clear out the water; and then, as the returns must chiefly depend on the levels below, I will ask—must it not be a great concern to pay 20,000,000 per annum for 10 years=200,000,000. There will be 20,000,000 interest on the 250,000,000, and 130,000,000 cost=180,000,000; and had the same money been applied to the working of new mines it would have paid cent. per cent., and would continue for years.

There are, however, in exceptional cases that abandoned mines should be reworked when the depth exceeds 200 fms., and capitalists might do well to consider my remarks before they speculate in the reworking of old and deep mines.

Rose Cottage, Lostwithiel, July 5.

JOHN SEYMOUR.

THE GRANITE QUARRIES OF LUXULIAN, CORNWALL.

SIR,—Few among the many scenes to be observed in Cornwall are more remarkable, or better worth a visit, than are the granite quarries of Mr. Treffry, in the parish of Luxulian. There may the visitor see wealth being realised without destruction—the *utile cum dignitate* fulfilled. The whole neighbourhood is covered with scattered rocks (boulders) of gigantic proportions, several (by measure) weighing not less than 800 to 3000 tons. Some are of the most grotesque and fanciful forms, perched as it were on pinnacles, or forming what are technically called lozgs, or rocking stones. I enclose you a drawing of one of the most remarkable. This stone is elevated about 40 ft., and weighs 70 tons. The hill on which it stands is a base of the great granite out of which are quarried stones of immense proportions; indeed, their size is limited only to the requirements or to the power of the machinery to remove them. One stone lately split up was of the following dimensions: 54 ft. long, 41 ft. wide, 13 ft. deep, thus containing no less than 25,782 ft. weighing 2056 tons. The master of the quarry pointed out one of still greater magnitude. These tremendous stones are now being wrought for the dock-yard works at Portsmouth. At these quarries about 80 men are employed, at an average wages of 15s. per week. The granite workers call themselves stone masons. The work is extremely hard and laborious, the granite being wrought by means of pointed hammers, called picks; to split these rocks, wedges are used with two small strips of steel, termed feathers. A series of holes, about 3 in. apart, are bored by means of a tool termed a jumper—a bar of iron with steel points, about 3/4 in. at the point, so that a man may be literally said to jump down a hole of that small calibre.

These quarries were worked by the late Mr. Treffry, and thousands of tons raised. Care has been taken not to disturb the picturesque. All the extraordinary rocks are taboed, and in working great care is taken not to impair the romantic scenery of the locality. Near this is the celebrated aqueduct and viaduct of the Par and Newquay Railway, the first ever erected in this country. Such buildings now being common they are not worth describing, but at the period of their erection they were considered wonderful pieces of work. About 1 1/2 miles hence the extraordinary piece of porphyritic rock now forming the sarcophagus of the illustrious Wellington was procured; this was an isolated boulder, or surface rock, erroneously supposed to be unique. Search proves the stone to abound, but of smaller proportions. No doubt it might be quarried if necessary, but the extreme difficulty of polishing renders its adaptation to ornamental purposes impossible. This magnificent piece, so worthily applied, cost an infinity of trouble and expense, and stands now, and will probably remain, unrivalled—like its occupant.

This district is barren of mineral—that is to say, of metalliferous deposits, being in the great granite, on the borders of which metalliferous lodes or veins are chiefly found. In the quarries at Colkerrow a side may be seen, forming a most excellent example of the phenomena. Here also the peculiar fracture of granite may be studied with advantage. By going a little east, at Lanlivery, a junction of granite with clay-slate may be observed; and on turning off the high road to Bodmin, about 1 mile from Lostwithiel, in a quarry, a fine lode in granite may be seen, about 1 ft. wide, on the north or right hand wall of which is a lode of copper ore, varying from 1/2 in. to 1 1/2 in. wide. The rest is capel, quartz, and pebbles. About 200 fms. south, or rather south-west, in draining the meadows, during the past month, an exceedingly fine tin lode has been cut in the groyan: it has been seen about 7 ft. deep, close by an old stream works, but it appears to me that little has been done even by the streamers. My attention had been called to what was evidently been a "Jew's House." There were quantities of charcoal, some of which was quite perfect; but I failed to procure any metallic tin or ore, as I had previously been fortunate enough to do in this parish. There can be but little doubt that this was once in high repute; Lostwithiel being the seat of the Miners' Court, its being granted so many privileges, its situation, and withal the discovery of so many "Jew's Houses," would appear to warrant such an opinion. The whole of the neighbourhood of this town abounds with mineral treasures, probably wisely held secret; few and but partial attempts having been, or being now, made to realise them: future generations will undoubtedly do so, but for the present they remain in their pristine state.

July 5.

COHISH.

MINERAL INDUSTRY OF IRELAND.

SIR,—In my last I omitted to include the marbles of Donegal in the minerals of that county. Let the tourist pause a few hours, and inspect the marble quarries of Dunali. Supposing he has rested at the beautifully situated town of Letterkenny, and from thence taken his drive to Gwidore, a drive which will amply repay him, he can easily diverge to the picturesque spot where the quarries stand, alas! unworked. Here pure white marble is seen, and also in the neighbourhood an endless variety of others of different shades and tints. High towering above the surrounding mountains stand Argle and Munchish. On the first, auriferous quartz; the second, yielding a most beautiful white sand, valuable to the glass manufacturer. Between Gwidore and Dunfanigle is the once celebrated silver-lead mine of Kildrum; this mine did produce, and would again if worked with spirit, quantities of rich silver-lead ore. The cause of its being in abeyance was a trifling blunder which was made; but, as Ireland is the land of blunders, this slight one may be forgiven. I understood a 50-ft. water-wheel was erected, but when completed the supply of water necessary to drive it was not to be had; so the wheel was removed and the site was left to the elements, leaving the fine courses of ore in the open. A short distance from Kildrum, on the seashore, after a gale of wind are frequently found human skeletons, also swords, daggers, needles, &c., of bronze, and brooches of gold, with other ornaments made from the precious metal; and this brings me back to the beds of ferruginous earths alluded to in my former letters. Although distant from this part of Donegal 60 miles, loose sand hills surround these beds, and a heavy storm of wind often denudes one portion and covers deeply another with sand. At the part exposed by the gale frequently, as in the other case, human skeletons, swords, daggers, &c., of bronze, and ornaments of gold of curious ancient workmanship have also been found. One chain (alas! for its value) was submitted to the smelter, and the sum realised was over 1000, perhaps not half its intrinsic value, was received by the finder. Beneath the hill side on which this bed of ferruginous earth is seen is a well of the purest water, called *Tuberville* (Irish for boiling well). Could some of your antiquarian friends inform me why near these beds are found so many small smelting hearths, not exceeding 18 in. or 2 ft., made with very hard stones? Pieces of unburnt charcoal are also found. Surely these were too small to be used for the extraction of the base metals. That gold did exist in large quantities in Ireland formerly is patent. How was it extracted?—July 1.

P.S.—I have just seen some beautiful specimens from the bottom of Milltown Mine; the discovery of such a rich lode in depth (26 fms. deep) the mine must have great hopes for the future. I hear the branch of ore is 2 ft. wide, and the bottom of the winze is spangled all over with spots of ore.

UNPROTECTED SHAFTS.

SIR,—A lamentable accident at Crinnis Mine shows the necessity of attention to this subject, so warmly urged in the Journal at the fall of last year. A young man fell into an old shaft, and was there for two days before he was discovered. Now, the fault must be somewhere. All mine leases have, or should have, clauses by which abandoned mines shall have their shafts properly secured. An action must certainly lie against either adventurers or landowners if accidents occur. Hundreds of shafts are in this condition; the owners of lands in which they occur will do well to see to them, by doing which they may possibly save themselves from great expenses, for they may rely on it an appeal to a jury would convince them the public safety is not to be jeopardised to suit their purse, or to save their pockets from the ruin of a few pounds. There have been several accidents during the past year, but because they have happened to poor people, who knew not the law, little notice has been taken. It was so with railways at first. It is not impossible but some gentleman out sporting may meet with an accident of this kind; if so, and his friends seek redress, they will surely obtain it. Then, and not till then, probably, will this subject attract the attention of those who most require it. If they be wise they will shut the stable door ere the steed be stolen.

July 8.

THE DALE MINING COMPANY.

SIR,—I have received a copy of the minutes of the general meeting, held on June 16, at which it was stated I had retired from the board of management, when, in fact, I have never accepted such appointment; neither have I had any control over the affairs of the company beyond being a shareholder, and acting as agent in the disposal of the shares for the company. I purchased my share on April 1, 1857, at 35s. per share, and paid the calls made for the working of the mine.

Since the registration of the company I have been deprived of 61 shares, which have been given towards either the 1000 shares to Mr. Brunton for raising the capital, or Mr. Richmond for the New York machinery. I have nothing to do with such arrangement, and claim my interest, which has been duly signed for in the memorandum of association. I give this in explanation to the many enquiries made by friends respecting my position with the Dale Mine.—51, Threadneedle-street, July 9.

THOMAS FULLER.

THE WEEDON GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHMENT AN ELIGIBLE SITE FOR IRON-WORKS.

SIR,—In the report of the speeches in the House of Commons on Monday evening, consequent upon the motion brought forward by Colonel Boldero, relative to the Government clothing establishment at Weedon, the gallant colonel is made to say that Sir Benjamin Hawes waited upon the committee of inquiry, which has been sitting for some considerable period, and stated "that the Secretary for War had been looking into the system of clothing in the army, and had come to the determination that Weedon should be abolished, as an establishment which had not worked economically for the public or advantageously to the soldier." Taking this decision, then, as being decided upon—that the clothing department is to be abolished at Weedon—the question very naturally suggests itself, Could any other project be devised with regard to the very extensive buildings now about to be rendered useless? Every day is developing the mineral wealth of this

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MINING NOTABLES.

[EXTRACTS FROM OUR CORRESPONDENCE.]

WHEAL CHARLOTTE continues to open well, the end of the levels having greatly improved since the last meeting. The tribute pitches are yielding large quantities of copper ore, worth from 7s. to 8s. per ton. The last sale was 1140s., which gave a profit of 500s. on the two months, and the next sale will be far greater. The sales of copper ore have increased from 400s. to 1140s. during the year, as will be seen by reference to the Mining Journal; 25,000s. has been laid out on this property, and now selling at 7s. per cwt., or about 7000s. for the whole mine. This is a good investment, and remarkably cheap, as a great rise will take place in shares at an early date.

HULLMINE.—Further attempts at this place, like many others, have led to fresh discoveries. A bed of clay between two tin lodes has been met with, which is suitable for pottery purposes. A fresh lode of tin has been found. Had mining been brisk, this old and once favourite property would have been worked by the same party as the Penrose Consols (now a promising and leading mine, having paid her way for four months, and able to do so for four more without further discovery), abandoned for the same cause—the panic of 1847. This property will before long attain equal celebrity with its sister mine.

FROM ANGRACK CONSOLS. Capt. James Barratt reports that they have several large and very promising lodes, which will, without doubt, prove productive in a little more depth. The engine-shaft is situated between two groups of lodes, and underlying towards each other.

PENROSE CONSOLS.—The proprietors of this mine are now doing what they should have done three years since—erecting suitable machinery for dressing their produce cheaply and properly. A water-wheel has been purchased, and stumps buddies, &c., being built. The recent improvements in these mines render this step absolutely necessary. The quantity of ore now raising could not be returned by hand. Many hundreds of tons have been undercut, and will be wrought at a low tribute. Considerable demand exists for blende, of which the mine is one of the largest producers in this kingdom. The price has gradually improved from 35s. to 85s. per ton, with every likelihood of a further advance. A demand has arisen for shares in this mine, chiefly from Cornwall. Several enquiries have been made for them in the London market, but we believe few are held in London, it being principally a Leeds proprietary.

WHEAL EDWARD.—Although such different opinions, and various reports, have emanated from so many experienced agents, this mine appears to survive the storm, and once more take a good position, not only in the share market, but by better prospects—the samplings and future sales. No mine has been so run down as poor Edward and its agent; it is to be hoped that the mine and Capt. East will, ere long, justify his past reports by the future samplings. —SHAREHOLDER.

AT WHEAL MARGERY the prospects are very good indeed; they are raising large quantities of ore, and the mine is improving.

Within the last fortnight a valuable discovery has been made on the Sigford Estate, in the parish of Hingston, Devon. A rich lode of copper ore has been opened on within 10 ft. of the surface. The sett, which is called the Sigford Consols, is situated within about half a mile of the junction of the slate and granite, about one mile north of the Ashburton United Mine, and two miles south of Yarnor. This discovery, which is unquestionably one of the best yet made on the eastern side of the moor, will, no doubt, give a considerable impetus to mining operations in the Ashburton and Bovey districts, particularly when taken in connection with the fine property of the Ashburton United and the Yarnor Mines, both of which are more than realising expectations.

LEEDS AND ST. AUBYN MINES are greatly improved of late. At the last account meeting the agents promised to have 5 tons of black tin for the ensuing month's sale; it turned out nearly 6½ tons, and realised the sum of 381s. 2s. 6d., which more than paid cost.

THE PROVIDENCE MINES are yielding large quantities of tin. The next dividend is expected to be 3s. or 4s. Shares are likely to advance in price immediately.

ROSEWALL HILL AND RANOM UNITED.—The pitch in the bottom of the 40, west of Ransom engine-shaft, is looking splendid. The men are working it on tribute, at 7s. 6d. in 14s., and are expected to break 1000s. worth of tin this month. The accounts generally from the mine (which are, no doubt, regularly forwarded to you) are of a most encouraging character.

IRON MINING IN CORNWALL.—Our previous notice on this subject alluded to the suspension of shipping at the Restormel and Grey Mare Mines, and to the continued activity in some of the western iron mines. We find, on enquiry, that at Par iron ore of a very superior quality can be shipped at prices which never contemplated. The mine near this place can be worked at a nominal cost, the lode being driven on into the side of a hill, without any waste either of material or power. A railway from the lode conveys the ore to the ship's side, without trouble. The superior quality of this ore commands a ready sale. The quantity being shipped is immense. Near St. Austell, also, excellent iron ore is being raised. The utmost economy is practised, and the proprietors express themselves satisfied with the adventure and prices realised. We are, therefore, bound to suppose a profit is being made. At Truro large quantities are also being exported. Still, it cannot be denied there is not that activity in Cornish iron mining which existed twelve months since. We sincerely hope it may revive at Wheal Hannah; an engine-house is being erected, but as they propose to work both copper and tin lodes this mine cannot be termed an iron mine, though this mineral will be raised.

Since the above was written the following communication has been received:—On Monday last upwards of 50 iron miners were discharged from the works of Mr. Whitford, St. Columb, this verifying our doubts, expressed some three weeks since, whether iron could be profitably worked in this county at present prices. This decision will cause considerable distress to many families of industrious, hard-working men. This will also be a great injury to the ports of Truro, Newquay, and Padstow; it will also be a serious blow to the small shipping employed in the conveyance of the ore.

Capt. Bishop (late of South Wheal Frances, now of Lewis Mines), has inspected Daw (of Carn Brea), and Capt. Roberts (of West Basset and other mines), has inspected TREGBOWHEADS MINE, near Tolvaadden, and speak well of its prospects and merits, and confidently recommend it as one of the best mining fields for investment in the county. The sett is about to be worked by Capt. Michael Martyn and John Vivian, and we wish these good miners every success their abilities deserve.

WHEAL VIOLET (late Wheal Marshall, St. Stephens).—This promising mine, which was abandoned solely from the quarrelling of the adventurers, is, we understand, to be immediately resumed, under the management of Capt. John Webb, of the Great Hewas Mine. The opinion of all practical men during its last working was most decidedly that, if properly developed, it would make a profitable mine; but where orders and counter orders prevail, where divisions of council are the rule, no mine, however intrinsically good, can prosper. We hope this will not now be the case. So many miners being out of employment, labour will be cheap, and the reworking of this mine a mitigation of the otherwise probable distress.

AT THE GREAT HEWAS MINE, activity appears in every department, bespeaking a good mine and good management. Some fine tin is being returned from the western part. The proprietors have reason to be satisfied with the adventure, which will ere long produce the desired results.

MR. BARNIER, a French gentleman, and Mr. CHARLES WADSWORTH, an American, students from the Ecole des Mines, Paris, have been on a tour in the Devon and Cornwall districts. They have visited the Devon Great Consols, Restormel, Fowey Consols, &c., gathering the information they can procure. They express themselves in most gratifying terms on the politeness and attention they have experienced from all parties, and the readiness with which every process, and the nature of the mineral veins in the different localities, have been explained and communicated. They leave with a high impression of the Cornishmen's ability, politeness, and candour.

As a proof of the prostration of trade, it may be mentioned that not only is the price of iron so low as to render the production of the ore (except under peculiar circumstances) unremunerative, but even the washing of the beautiful blende broun (commonly called unbleached), practised near the Indian Queens, has been entirely suspended, so that a large quantity remains on hand unsold. This was much in request for paper-staining purposes, for which it is admirably adapted. It is found near Chiverton, in a lode in whitish kilias, and is the only vein of the kind at present known. It is extremely light, resembling, except in colour, dried peat. The article is of very late introduction, and gradually increased in demand, until from 8 to 10 tons per month were required. So careful is the preparation required to be, that none but the most perfectly clear spring water can be used; the least fouling of the stream by rain or accident would destroy the beauty and purity of the colour; it is, therefore, carried a distance of four miles from the place of its production to the mouth of an adit whence issues the desired perfectly limpid stream. This discovery is said to pay well, and illustrates the necessity of attention to every substance met with in geological searches; for, though known to exist for many years, its practical utility and worth are only just now ascertained and appreciated.

MINING IN JAMAICA.

The mining advices from Jamaica, which are of growing interest and importance, come down to June 10, and comprise the following:—

CLARENDON CONSOLIDATED.—A. Tregoning, J. Martin, June 1: Stamford Hill Mine. This morning the rise from the back of the 35 ft. level has been holed to the shaft from the surface. We have now to square down the shaft and prepare it for the reception of the pump-work to the 46 ft. level, at which point we have been employed fixing the timberwork necessary for the erection of the gear of the small sinking pump, which we have given the shaft the shaft remaining to be made to various purposes of natives, by which we find a very considerable saving of both time and money. We are glad to state that two parts of the boiler (the tube) is at Provost, and we expect the other part will arrive there this evening, which will be brought up to the mine as soon as the road is completed, which, if the May rainy season does not prevent us, will soon be accomplished.

WHEAL JAMAICA COPPER COMPANY.—June 10: Mr. Tregoning is now busily engaged in St. Andrew's, making the surveys of Castle James, Cassell, and Mount Woolfry, belonging to this company. He expects to complete all his work so as to leave here in the next packet for England. The mine agent, Mr. G. B. Netherole, is at present engaged going over the above properties with Mr. Tregoning, but the sub-agent at Clarendon Cross writes from that mine, under date June 8, as follows:—The lode in the end of the 65 ft. level north is about 5 ft. wide, of much the same appearance as when first intersected, composed of green and blue carbonates, and occasional spots of copper ore, with a large stream of water issuing from the end. The ground continues favourable for driving. We have driven during the last week 1 ft. 5 in. The ground in the end of the 65 ft. cross-cut is a little harder for driving, but still intersected throughout with veins of spar and copper ore.

ELLERSLIE AND BARDOWIE MINING COMPANY.—June 10: The workings at Salisbury Plain continue to improve. Ore is now coming down in quantity, and we could ship 50 tons by the *Mary Allan*, but the committee have not decided whether to use that vessel, or to wait a short time longer, so as to dispatch a much larger shipment. Mr. Tregoning is now at the mine taking his final survey, and his report will be transmitted as soon as received. We could not be going on better.

RIO GRANDE MINING COMPANY.—Mr. Tregoning has officially reported on the mining properties of this company; his report is so full and conclusive, that we need only refer to its very interesting and important details, which speak sufficiently for themselves, whilst they are so thoroughly corroborative of everything Mr. Sawkins saw and stated in 1856. These mines are now looked upon as the most promising in Jamaica, and will soon prove their own value. (Mr. Tregoning's report is appended to a prospectus of the Rio Grande Mining Company, advertised in another column of this day's Journal.)

—R. HASTIS WILSON AND Co., Liverpool, July 6.

GRYLLS'S ANNUAL MINING SHEET,

FROM JUNE 30, 1857, TO JUNE 30, 1858.

Containing the quantity of copper ore sold from each mine, British and foreign—Average price per 21 cwts., and the amount of money—the average standard, produce, and price for the year, both in Cornwall and Wales—the total amount of ore, fine copper, and money—Each company's purchase—And the particulars of copper ores sold at the Tickerings in Cornwall, from June 30, 1859, to June 30, 1858, both inclusive:—

CORNWALL.		Tons ore.	Amount.	Price.
Agar, Wheal	223	1,396 16 6	26 5 0	
Alfred Consols	4138	26,378 2 6	6 6 6	
Anna, Wheal	970	5,932 19 6	5 4 0	
Arthur, Wheal	760	2,940 0 6	2 13 6	
Basset, Wheal	5078	38,381 8 0	7 11 0	
Bedford United Mines	2505	13,463 4 6	5 7 6	
Bolling Well	887	3,250 3 6	5 11 0	
Botallack	829	9,014 6 0	10 17 6	
Bray, Wheal	200	375 5 0	2 17 6	
Buller, Wheal	6253	31,903 7 0	5 2 0	
Calatoc Consols	501	3,286 7 6	6 11 0	
Camborne Veau	496	2,215 15 6	5 1 6	
Carn Brea	3512	14,327 15 6	4 1 6	
Carrack Dewa	431	2,666 14 6	6 4 0	
Carvannall	365	2,272 12 6	6 14 6	
Charlotte, Wheal	543	2,805 8 0	4 2 6	
Clifford, Wheal	3465	20,123 1 0	5 16 0	
Clijah and Wentworth	358	2,122 5 0	5 18 6	
Collacombe	1498	8,450 11 0	5 13 0	
Comfort, Wheal	269	368 8 0	5 7 6	
Condurow	1349	7,582 11 6	5 12 0	
Consols	355	1,706 12 0	4 16 0	
Copper Hill	743	4,013 11 6	5 8 0	
Cradock Moor	1184	10,541 18 0	9 0 0	
Creechbawse	240	1,247 4 6	4 7 0	
Devon and Cornwall	1531	7,223 4 6	5 3 6	
Devon and Courtenay	156	767 7 0	4 19 6	
Devon Buller	299	1,798 4 0	6 0 6	
Devon Great Consols	23986	128,133 11 0	5 7 0	
Dolcoath	602	2,695 11 6	4 9 6	
Duke of Cornwall	1314	4,380 16 0	3 7 0	
East Alfred Consols	320	2,555 15 6	7 19 6	
East Basset	282	1,551 10 6	6 18 6	
East Pool	1822	8,478 8 0	4 13 0	
East Rosewarne	205	1,502 16 0	7 16 6	
East Russell	292	2,767 2 0	9 9 6	
East Tegel	379	2,328 18 6	6 3 0	
Edward, Wheal	1885	9,710 16 0	5 3 0	
Ellen, Wheal	671	3,901 10 0	4 18 6	
Emma, Wheal	706	4,449 10 6	6 9 0	
Great Consols	4541	29,892 8 6	6 10 6	
Franco, Wheal	286	1,592 7 0	4 18 0	
Friendship, Wheal	1580	14,581 10 0	5 12 6	
Gawton Copper Mines	418	1,280 13 0	3 1 6	
Gonamena	864	6,018 17 0	6 19 6	
Grampian and St. Aubyn	383	7,388 1 0	19 5 0	
Great Wheal Alfred	2375	12,697 7 6	5 8 0	
Great Wheal Busy United	3388	9,847 4 6	2 18 0	
Great Cripple	771	3,445 7 6	4 10 6	
Great Shela Consols	711	1,277 17 6	1 16 0	
Great South Consols	4301	28,019 7 6	9 2 6	
Halamanning	410	3,742 0 6	9 2 6	
Hingston Down	1392	7,835 17 6	5 12 6	
Holmbush	1055	10,199 3 6	9 13 6	
Kelly Bray	1265	5,449 0 0	4 6 0	
Lady Bertha	234	924 6 6	3 19 0	
Levant	1324	6,452 1 6	4 17 6	
Margery, Wheal	849	4,237 17 6	4 19 6	
Marble Valley	1633	6,235 17 6	3 16 6	
Mary Great Consols	176	1,151 17 6	6 11 0	
North Basset	3776	24,136 13 6	6 8 0	
North Wheal Busy	188	1,202 18 6	6 6 0	
North Croft	679	3,504 2 0	5 3 0	
North Frances	151	1,021 16 0	6 15 6	
North Pool	691	3,360 10 6	4 17 6	
North Wheal Robert	1278	8,319 0 6	6 11 0	
North Wheal	2471	16,329 19 6	6 12 6	
Old Tor	3753	308 7 0	1 17 0	
Par Consols	3753	33,584 10 0	8 19 0	
Pembroke and East Cripple	882	4,291 9 0	4 17 0	
Perran St. George	456	1,458 10 6	3 0 0	
Phoenix Mines	5093	27,275 3 6	5 7 6	
Rosewarne United Mines	1052	7,095 4 0	6 17 0	
Rosewarne Consols	151	477 0 0	3 3 0	
Russell, Wheal	282	858 2 0	3 1 0	
Seton, Wheal	2408	12,717 17 6	5 5 6	
Sertridge Consols	914	6,923 3 0	6 12 6	
South Bedford	440	1,144 2 0	2 12 0	
South Canon	4818	49,535 12 6	10 5 6	
South Croft	1074	3,329 19 6	3 5 6	
South Cripple	2067	13,042 6 0	6 6 0	
South Croft	820	4,240 6 0	5 5 0	
South Ellen	536	2,714 4 6	5 1 6	
South Frances	6110	41,338 6 0	6 15 0	
South Folgar	2139	16,033 19 6	7 16 6	
St. Aubyn and Goulet	193	1,028 0 0	7 6 0	
St. Day United Mines	1865	10,928 18 0	6 17 0	
Sundry small mines	3686	19,868 16 6	5 8 0	
Tavy Consols	424	1,695 10 6	4 0 0	
Tehidy, Wheal	371	3,334 8 0	8 19 6	
Tincroft	2273	12,660 6 6	5 8 0	
Tolvadden	953	7,241 19 0	7 11 6	
Trebarvah, Wheal	311	2,123 11 0	6 16 6	
Trevelow	375	2,285 3 0	6 18 0	
Trevelow	1510	4,824 14 6	2 17 0	
Trevelow	311	1,265 14 6	5 0 6	
Trevelow	542	2,135 10 6	4 1 0	
Trevelow	248	1,008 9 0	4 1 6	
United Mines	8891	41,149 9 6	4 12 6	
Unity Consols, Wheal	355	2,179 18 0	6 3 0	
West Alfred Consols	1032	3,679 13 0	3 10 0	
West Basset	6977	42,395 7 6	6 1 6	
West Canon	8829	27,421 13 0	7 0 6	
West Dannel	440	2,068 15 0	6 1 6	
West Dannel	1755	9,254 10 0	5 3 6	
West Fowey Consols	732	6,747 13 0	8 19 6	
West Seton	5232	37,526 14 6	7 3 6	
West Stray Park	340	2,252 10 6	6 12 6	

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Algiers	298	3,230 18 6	10 18 0
Bahama	298	2,743 8 6	13 10 0
Barmbydale	212	3,962 8 0	18 14 0
Berchaven	5591	55,486 1 0	9 18 6
Burra Burra	894	18,039 18 0	20 3 6
Carmen	204	1,898 8 6	9 2 0
Cobalt	1491	25,996 17 6	17 8 0
Cuba	1929	17,245 12 6	15 4 0
Estrella	215	30,158 7 6	15 12 6
Garrucha	271	690 1 0	3 4 0
Great Barrier	338	2,157 3 0	7 19 0
Hamburg Regulus	171	4,871 12 6	14 8 0
Holyford	274	7,296 14 0	42 13 6
Huelva	391	4,380 18 6	16 0 0
Knockmahon	3646	1,429 10 6	3 13 0
Laxey	262	34,549 9 0	9 9 6
Nanaquala	2945	2,092 1 0	7 18 6
Parys	224	88,289 18 0	29 19 6
Peninsular	362	678 4 0	3 0 6
San Fernando	328	3,200 5 6	8 17 0
San Francisco	328	3,720 13 0	11 7 0
Sancti Spiritus	924	16,719 16 6	18 2 0
Seville	512	5,367 19 6	10 6 0
Spanish	1149	9,051 19 6	7 17 6
Sundry small mines	1726	22,695 4 6	13 0 0
Sydney	138	1,651 8 0	12 6 6
Wanencrook	202	4,087 11 0	20 2 0

Particulars of Copper Ores sold in Cornwall, from June 30, 1857, to June 30, 1858.

Copper ores	(21 cwts.)	183,292	Average produce	6 1/2
Fine copper	(11 cwts.)	11,764 3 cts.	Average standard	£135 1s. 0d.
Amount of money		£1,083,728 18s. 6d.	Average price	£5 18s. 6d.

Particulars of Copper Ores sold in Wales, from June 30, 1857, to June 30, 1858.

Copper ores	(21 cwts.)	36,691	Average produce	14 1/2
Fine copper	(5240 tons 8 cts.)		Average standard	£117 12s.
Amount of money		£533,862 8s.	Average price	14 11

TOTALS IN CORNWALL AND WALES.

Copper ores (21 cwts.) 219,983 | Fine copper 17,004 tons 11 cwts.

Amount of money £1,617,391 6s. 6d.

Particulars of Copper Ores Purchased by the Copper Companies, from June 30, 1857, to June 30, 1858.

Purchasers.	Tons ore.	Fine copper.	Amount.
Mines Royal Copper Company	11,302	909 12	£76,915 3s
Vivian and Sons	2492	2492 5	24,920 4 11
J. Freeman and Copper Company	14,358	946 11	84,774 2 3
Pease Greenfield and Sons	27,402	2074 9	195,997 6 8
Sims, Williams, Nevill, and Co.	22,183	1757 7	165,525 5 8
Williams, Foster, & Co. and Crown Co.	43,577	3702 13	357,014 8 2
Spittly Copper Company	5,939	457 0	45,500 16 4
Mason and Elkington	24,436	1686 4	158,426 3 7
F. Bankart	12,636	1016 8	100,465 10 8
Copper Mines Company	11,945	1021 17	92,298 14 10
C. Lambert	10,373	837 18	92,502 10 1
Newton, Keates, and Co.	247	20 0	

at per fathom.—Tribute: The pitch in back of the 48, west of Eales's, is set to three men, at 10s. The pitch in back of the 48, east of Eales's, is set to two men, at 5s. (with 4s. barlain). Ore fine small pebbles: 24 tons, at 4s.; 3 tons, at 20s.—say 150s.

NORTH LAXEY.—R. Rowe, July 1: The shaft is now down 10 fms.; the lode is very promising, with more gossan and lead in it than I have seen before, and about 2 ft. wide; but owing to the increased underlie continuing I have decided to let the shaft proceed in its proper direction, and leave the lode on the hanging side; by doing this we shall sink nearly twice as fast, and save much money—the intention is to go 15 fms. The lode in the 12 south does not look so well as it did last week, being smaller, now 6 in. wide; it is likely the level has passed through this run of gossan and ore ground; if so, it appears about 6 fms. long, and best in the bottom.

NORTH WHEAL ROBERT.—J. Richards, July 8: Murchison's Engine-shaft: In the 62 west the lode is large, 5 ft. wide, composed of capel, mundle, peach, quartz, and stones of ore. In the 52 west the lode is composed of quartz, mundle, and occasionally a little ore. The lode in the stopes in back of the 52 west is worth 2 tons of ore per fm. In the 42 west the cross-cut is still being continued south, but no south wall yet reached. The trial shaft is being sunk below the 42, the lode is unproductive. At trial shaft, in the 30 west, the lode is 4 ft. wide, and yields a little saving work.

FAR CONSOLS.—A. Stephens, F. Puckey, J. Puckey, July 1: In handing our report of this mine, we beg to say that Stephens's lode in the 180, driving west of the underlay shaft, is 2 ft. wide, worth 12s. per fm. In the 180 east the lode at the present time is small and poor. In the 150 west the lode is 3 ft. wide, worth 30s. per fm.; the lode in this end is letting out a quantity of water. In the 120 west the lode is 4 ft. wide, worth 30s. per fm. In the 100 west we have intersected a small cross-course; the lode is now about 1½ ft. wide, producing good saving work. In the 80 west the lode is 3 ft. wide, worth 12s. per fm. for tin and copper. We have cut the north part of the gossan lode at the 200, north of the underlay shaft, and commenced driving east and west on its course; the lode is 1 ft. wide, producing good stones of ore, but not sufficient to value. We have not yet cut the lode in the 180, west of the cross-course, but we hope to do so this month. We have put the men to rise in the 150 west to communicate with the wine sinking under the 135, which we hope to hole in a fortnight. When this is completed we shall commence sinking a wine under the 150 to communicate with the rise in the back of the 180, which is a very important object in ventilating these two levels. In the 135 west the lode is 3 ft. wide, worth 20s. per fm.—Gossan lode: The 160, 150, and 170 ends are still poor. In the 160 east we have intersected a cross-course; the lode east of this cross-course is 3 ft. wide, producing stones of ore, and letting out a quantity of water; we fully expect an improvement in this end very shortly. Puckey's north shaft is sunk 7 fms. under the 110; the 110 cross-cut is driven south of the shaft towards Puckey's lode 15 fms., and we hope to cut the lode this month. In the 100 end, east of Puckey's shaft, on the south of Puckey's lode, the lode is 6 ft. wide, worth 12s. per fm. In the 80 west the lode is 2 ft. wide, and worth 10s. per fm. In the 80 west the lode is 3 ft. wide, producing saving work for tin. The lode in the 70, producing some good work for tin. Our stopes and pitches are producing about our usual quantity of tin—24 tons per month. Annie's shaft is sunk 35 fms. from surface; the ground is still favourable for sinking.

PEDDAN-DREA.—Capt. Carpenter, Delbridge, and Thomas, July 3: Nothing has been done in the 90, east or west of the engine-shaft, in the past week; the summen are fixing the new pitwork, &c., preparatory to sinking below that level. The lode in the rise in the back of the 68, is worth from 12s. to 14s. per fm. In the 60, driving west on the engine lode, the lode has a promising appearance, though not productive. On the whole, our tribute stopes continue to yield about the same quantity of tin as for some months past.

PEMBROKE AND EAST CRINNIS.—John Dale, G. T. Trewhin, July 6: In consequence of our having a number of our flat-rods, which let the water in, the men in the 162 cross-cut, south of Reid's shaft, were not able to do anything towards driving the end for the last two days; the ground is of the same character as for some time past, still letting out a little water. In the 112 end, east of Smith's shaft, we have, within the last few days fallen in with a cross-course, which has divided the lode, and is letting out a great quantity of water, which we consider to be a very favourable indication of a larger lode ahead. In the 112 end west the lode is about 18 in. wide, producing good stones of ore; in the stopes in back of the same level the lode will produce 1½ ton of ore per fm. In the 100 end, east of Smith's shaft, the lode is from 3 to 4 ft. wide, and will yield about 1½ ton of ore per fm. In the stopes in back of this level the lode will produce 1½ ton of ore per fm. In the stope in back of the 90, east of Smith's shaft, the lode will produce about 1½ ton of ore per fm. Ground driven during the week ending July 6.—The 162 cross-cut, 4 ft.; the 112 end, 4½ ft.; the 112 end west, 4½ ft.; the 100 end east, 4 ft. Smith's shaft has been sunk 4 ft.

—J. Dale, July 8: We have this night cut a branch in the 162 cross-cut; it seems to be about 6 in. wide; it is producing some beautiful yellow ore, far better than anything we have seen before. The water is uncommonly mineralised; so much so, that the buckets will stand but a very short time. I do not consider this lode, but it looks a strong indication. A few hours may alter the prospects considerably.

PENCONSE CONSOLS.—H. B. Grosse, July 4: Friday last being our setting, the following tributes and stope pitches were set:—The 50, to drive by six men, at 4s. 10s. per fathom; the lode without any alteration since I wrote you. The 55 to drive west, by four men, at 7s. per fathom; the lode small and unproductive. The 35 to drive east, by four men, at 7s. per fathom; the lode small and unproductive. The lode here is split by a horse of kyllas, which will prevent us from carrying all the lode, it being 6 ft. wide. We shall, however, carry the main branch, which is 12 in. wide; worth from 2 to 3 tons of blende per fathom, of very good quality. The 20 to drive west of Marshall's shaft, by two men, at 5s. per fathom; the lode is at present worth 1 ton of blende per fathom, with good prospects of improving. The 20 not taken at the price offered.—Tribute: One pitch in the back of 45, at 2s. per ton; one ditto, at 2s. per ton; one ditto in the 45 east, at 2s. per ton; one ditto in the back of the 35s., at 12s. per ton; one ditto in the 20, at 14s. per ton; and one at the 6, at 2s. per ton. Throughout these pitches the lode is looking well, and will produce a fair quantity of ore. The filling and landing reset for two months; the sawing for two months, at 2s. 3d. per 100 ft.; the carriage of timber for 12 months, at 3s. 6d. per load of 50 ft., being 60 per load less than last year; the coal and blende at 4s. per ton, as before. We have put in our water-wheel and the frames for the crusher in its place, and no time will be lost in getting it to work. We have carried about 40 tons of blende to the shipping port, and have the remainder of the cargo on the floors ready to send away. The machinery is working well and in good condition, consuming 24 cwt. of coals in 24 hours.

PENDREN CONSOLS.—Wm. Eddy, July 3: Our stope ends are just the same as reported last week. The 82 north is producing some good grey ore; the 82 south is poor. In the 70 north the ore is holding very well, and will produce much ore. Our stopes are looking very well, and if they should not improve we shall have good month's ore. We must see about a crusher at once; I intend to see a second-hand one next week. It is my opinion we shall have a nice sampling of ore next sale.

PENHALDRAVA.—Thos. Hodge, July 7: The mine throughout is much the same as last reported. We sampled, last Saturday, two parcels of lead, computed to be 21 tons. First parcel, 11 tons; second, 10 tons.

PORKELLIS UNITED.—C. T. Craie, E. Pooley, July 5: Gossan's shaft, sinking below the 56, has been sunk the past month 1 fm. 4 ft., and have not yet passed through the cross-course; sinking by six men and three boys, at 14s. per fm. Wheel Ash shaft, sinking below the 45, has been sunk 5 ft. 9 in.; sinking by six men and three boys, at 25s. per fm. In the bottom of the 45, east of this shaft, we have resumed sinking a wine by nine men, at 15s. per fm., worth tin 50s. per fm. We have resumed sinking Parry's shaft below the 32 by six men, at 14s. per fm. The 32 has been driven 1 fm., worth 40s. per fm.; driving by four men, at 13s. per fm. The 32 west has been driven 1 fm., worth 40s. per fm.; driving by four men, at 13s. per fm. The tribute department continues without much alteration.

REDMOOR.—Thos. Taylor, July 5: We are driving east from the lead lode in the 20 north to cut the main branch. In the 40 the slide have the lode about 3 fms.; we hope to reach it by the end of this week. We are still desiring the lode in the 40 rise, the ground is a little more favourable for rising. Owing to the inconvenience of removing the stuff from such a large lode in the 70 wine, we have left about 3 ft. of it standing in the north side, by which we shall greatly facilitate our communication with the 80 end east; we are now sinking by the south wall, and carrying about 2½ feet of the lode, which is very ugly, consequently not so productive as when last reported. The lode in the 80 end east, on Kelly Bray, is about 2½ ft. wide, principally mundle, quartz, and yellow copper ore, more the character of the lode in the 70 wine than we have hitherto had. In the 80 west, on the count-house shaft lode, we have met with some breast heels, or walls letting down water, and faced with lead. No important alteration in the lode.

REPPYUN.—W. Treagay, July 8: The water is in fork to the extreme bottom of the mine. The wheel working well.

RIVER TAMAR.—J. Cock, July 6: The lode is not yet cut in the 70, but we expect we are near to it; the character of the ground seems favourable for copper. There is no change in any other part of the mine.

ROSEWALL HILL AND RANSOM UNITED MINES.—F. Roach, July 7: Since June 30, we have been engaged putting a footway at the engine-shaft, and getting another lift in readiness to fork below the 56, which is now in course of working. The 36 is cleared nearly to the end, where it is intended to hole to Ransom. The adit lode is made good from the westernmost part of the mine, 5 fathoms east of Fane's (Rosewall) shaft. In the Ransom we have driven about 2½ fathoms on the Troan; in part of this we have had a good lode: we have some fathoms to drive before we hole to Rosewall Hill. There are 6 feet built of the wall of the steam-stamps' house, and a level is also driving, and shaft sinking, for the use of the stamps.

ROSEWARNE CONSOLS.—J. Richards, July 3: We have the plat completed in the 52, and on Monday we shall commence to sink for bearings and cistern. The lode in the 32 west is 2½ feet wide, with good stones of ore, and a more promising appearance than for the last 2 fms. driving. In driving a cross-cut south in the 20 west we cut two small branches; 1. In the 20 west, on the north part of the lode, which is 2½ ft. wide, with stones of ore. We put the flat-rods to work last week, which answer very well. The flat-rods shaft is down 5 fms. under the adit level; the lode is 20 in. wide, with a very promising appearance. In driving the cross-cut north on the north tin branches we cut several small branches containing tin; I shall place the men to open on them next week. No alteration in any other part of the mine since last report.

SORTIDGE CONSOLS.—Robert Jackson, July 8: Hitchens's engine-shaft is down 13 fms. below the 74; the lode is 2 ft. wide, composed of spar, peach, prun, mundle, and stones of ore. In the rise in the back of the 74, west of the engine-shaft, the lode is 2 ft. wide, composed of spar, flokan, prun, and spots of ore. In the 74 east the lode is small and unproductive. In the 62, east of the engine-shaft, the lode is 5 feet wide, composed of spar, capel, mundle, and good stones of ore. In the 62 west the lode is 2½ feet wide, yielding strong stones of ore. In the 50, driving east on the south lode, the lode is 2 feet wide, yielding good stones of ore, and looking very promising for further improvement. In the 50, west of the cross-course, we have cut a lode, but we are not through it sufficient to state its size and character; I shall be able to say more about it in my next report. In the stopes in the bottom of the 50 east the lode is worth 2 tons of ore per fm. In the 40, west of the cross-course, the lode is 2½ feet wide, composed of spar, capel, mundle, and stones of ore.

SOUTH BEDFORD CONSOLS.—J. Phillips, July 6: There has been no change taken place to notice since my report of last week.

SOUTH CARN BREA.—T. Glanville, July 7: There is nothing new to report on in either of our two work bargains this week.

SOUTH CRENNER.—J. Delbridge, E. Chegwinn, July 3: In the 74, driving east of Gore's, the lode is from 18 to 20 in. wide, yielding some fine stones of copper ore, and the end will yield 2 tons of mundle; from the present appearance of the lode we have every reason to expect a bunch of copper ore. In the 94 west the lode is 3½ ft. wide, producing 1 ton of ore per fm., worth 7s. per fm. In the 84 west the lode is 3½ ft. wide, yielding 1 ton per fm. In the 74 rise the lode is 20 in. wide, tribute mundle. In the 54 west the lode is from 6 to 10 in. wide, producing good stones of ore. In the 54 wine the lode is 2 feet wide, worth 6s. per fm. Our tribute is much as usual.

SOUTH DOLCOATH AND CARNARTHEN CONSOLS.—W. Roberts, July 6: The following bargains were made on Saturday last: A rise in the back of the 70 by six men, at 5s. per fm. The 60th drive east of the cross-course by four men, at 8s. per fm.; the

lode is 5 ft. wide, with occasional stones of grey ore. The 50 cross-cut north by four men, at 5s. per fm., and the adit cross-cut south by two men, at 2s. per fm.

SOUTH LADY BERTHA.—Wm. Goss, July 8: We are not now raising any ore, as the men are employed in getting things ready to set the wheel to work, putting in timber in shaft, making bob-pits, bringing home lost, putting up lobby or adit to shaft, and assisting the workmen to put the wheel together. The ore in the wine is equal to its former value, but, having some at surface, and the discovery made, I have thought it advisable to go on with as little cost as possible until the wheel is up, when our surface labour will be reduced and the men raising ore again, which we shall then be in a position to get ready for market at once; to make the mine pay itself. I hope to get the wheel all finished this month; this being done the water will be forced in a week after it gets to work. It being all surface labour and new, I cannot say to a few days when the wheel will be ready, but it will be near the end of this month. I am doing all as fast as possible that is consistent with economy; it may be ready earlier than I state, then we shall be raising copper ore from both lodes at the same time. I hope to see the committee down at the starting of the wheel, to see the mine, when I am sure they will all be pleased with a visit to the place.

SOUTH PENHALDRAVA.—Thos. Hodge: The engineers are engaged putting in the engine, which we expect to complete, in order to work in about a week or ten days at this time. We are pushing on the shaft with all speed, which is down about 12 fms.; ground favourable for sinking, and of a very promising character for lead.

SOUTH WHEAL BETSY.—C. Bartle, July 6: We have resumed driving and stopping the 30, south of Carpenter's shaft; the lode without change since my last report; it is 5 feet wide, producing good stones of lead. We have commenced clearing a cross-cut at the deep adit, 40 fms. north of Carpenter's shaft, which has intersected the same lode, and hope to clear it clear by to-morrow morning. In the 10, south of whin-shaft, we are making ready to commence driving; we have taken the men from the wine north of whin-shaft to assist in the surface work; having a large elevator in the whin-shaft, the ground is not so favourable for sinking; the lode is still large, and good work for lead. The pitch much the same as when last reported. At surface the wheel-pit is completed, and we shall commence erecting the wheel at once. We are excavating ground for drawing machine, and making the necessary arrangements for dressing as fast as convenient.

ST. AUSTELL CONSOLS.—R. H. Williams, July 3: In the 45 cross-cut the ground is quite changed; it is of a most beautifully conical character, and easy for driving. The lode stopping in the 35 is producing some good work for tin. The stopes in the 25 and 15 are looking very promising. The western part of the mine is looking better. Our stumps are thoroughly repaired, and went to work on Friday at midday. Everything appears to be working well, and in good order. All our dressing parties are in full working again. I consider, altogether, our mine is looking much better.

ST. DAY UNITED.—Wm. Teague, July 6: We shall clear Trussell's south shaft to the 144 in the course of this week; we should have completed this before now but for the bad repair we found the shaft in. We have been obliged to cut ground to make way for the lift to come down, the shaft not being sufficiently large for the 13-in. pumps to pass through. We are getting on with the fixing of the rods in the 124, and shall have them ready by the time we have the ground cut in the 134, for the drainage of the water. The stope in bottom of the 134, on the tin lode, is worth 40s. per fm. We have gone over several fathoms of this ground, of equal value. We shall be in a position to drive the 144, under the stope referred to above, in about a fortnight from this time. We have nearly cleared the foundation for the whin-engine at Bliss pool, and shall commence the building on Monday next. All other places are without alteration since my last.

SUNNYSIDE.—John T. Bell, July 5: The adit is fast approaching the South Beck shaft, and I consider it very probable that the shaft sunk down to the level during the summer months, as the cost will be much less, in order to ventilate the drift, and draw the stuff therefrom. The ground is considerably stronger just now in the adit, and I think it likely for continuing. I hope to get on with the engine-shaft soon, so as to be enabled to get something brought to market.

TEES SIDE.—R. Bray, July 3: There is no change of importance in the mine this week. There are about six bins of ore ready dressed, but the supply of water is so limited that we cannot make proper progress.

TINCROFT.—Captains Teague, Andrew, Cock, July 6: North Tincroft Lode: No alteration in the tributes in this district since last reported. The tribute pitches in the 90, at Willoughby's, are improved, which you will perceive from the setting-sheet. The 162, west of old sump-shaft, is still looking very well, worth 30s. per fm. The 140, west of downright shaft, is not looking quite so well now, worth 10s. per fm. for copper ore. The lode at Martin's east are without alteration since our last.

TREMOOR CONSOLS.—H. B. Grosse, July 4: Since my last report, we have been taking up some of the lode below the old men's works, to recover the water, and prevent it clearing the foundation for the whin-engine at Bliss pool, and shall commence the building on Monday next. All other places are without alteration since my last.

TREWEATHA.—T. Richards, Wm. Rowe, July 7: The 90 cross-cut is extended from engine-shaft 5 fms. The 70 end, north from engine-shaft, is producing some saving work. Rowe's wine, sinking in bottom of the 60 north, is down 5 fms., worth 3s. per fathom. The 50 cross-cut, towards the eastern lode, is extended 7 ft. The stopes are producing tolerably fair quantities of ore.

TYNE HEAD.—G. Millican, July 3: The mine is better than last reported. Two men are driving the adit level. We have four bins of ore dressed, but cannot now work the stamps for want of rain; the streams are nearly dried up.

WEST BASSET.—W. Roberts, July 6: In the 124 west good tribute ground is being opened. In the 104 east the lode is 2 feet wide, producing stones of ore. The wine sinking under the 94 produces 2 tons, and likely to improve. The 84 east produces 1 ton; the same level west 2 tons, and the wine under the 75 is turning out 1½ ton, of ore per fathom.—Engine Lode: In the rise in back of the 75 the lode is nearly 2 feet wide, producing 2 tons in the 65 west the lode is 6 feet wide, worth 3 tons; in the 52 west, 2 tons; and the wine under the 52 produces 4 tons, of ore per fm.

WEST DOLCOATH.—G. R. Odgers, J. Angove, June 29: South Mine: In the cross-cut driving south from Ken's shaft, we have not yet met with the lode, the ground being much the same as we stated in our last, which we think is the cob of the cross-cut driving north from No. 2 shaft the ground is composed of a very nice air-shaft, which if the end is continued will pay for itself. The branch on which we are driving, east of the cross-cut, is 7 or 8 in. wide, composed of a very conical spar, stones of ore, and mundle, and forming two regular walls—looking kindly. In dressing the tributes' stuff it is found to yield good work both for tin and copper ores.—North Mine: In the adit end driving east of No. 1 shaft, on the main lode, the lode is full 3 ft. wide, composed of mundle, spar, and kyllas; the ground is easy for exploring. In the cross-cut driving north from No. 1 shaft the ground is rather stiffish, but the character is much the same as for some time past.

WEST FOWLEY CONSOLS.—W. Stephens, E. Dunstan, July 3: In the 100, east of Puckey's south shaft, on Puckey's lode, the lode is about 3 ft. wide, and will turn out 4 cwt. of tin per fathom; in the rise in the back of this level the lode is 2 ft. wide, and worth 10s. per fathom for tin. In the wine sinking below the 80, east of Puckey's south shaft, on Puckey's lode, the lode is still poor. In the 100, west of Deebie's shaft, on Protection lode, the lode is 1 foot wide, worth 15s. per fathom for copper ore; the stopes in the back of this level will yield about 2 tons of ore per fathom, worth 20s. The 100, east and west of Protection shaft, is still poor. In the wine sinking under the 70, west of Deebie's shaft, on Deebie's lode, the lode is about 1 ft. wide, and will yield about 2 tons of ore per fathom, worth 15s. We have commenced the buildings for the new stamping engine, which we intend to carry on with all possible speed.

WEST ROSEWARNE.—Wm. Richards, July 3: We have extended on the branch 8 fms. west and 9 fms. east in the 50; the lode on an average is 4 inches wide, very promising, with good stones of ore; ground worth for driving 4s. per fm. The lode in the 50, east on the south part, is driven 10 fms. east, none west, for reasons I will hereafter explain; the lode is 6 feet wide, and we carry about 3 feet of it; it is composed of spar, brent, mundle, and a little copper ore. We have opened a little in this level on the north lode, but not so kindly, or the ground so good, as on the south lode; in driving about 10 or 12 fms. more, the north and south lode and the branch will fall in together, and I have great expectation that on their junction they will make ore; nothing can be more kindly than the branch: ground worth 4s. per fm. In addition to the foregoing, we have proved the ground between the levels; the lode is 6 feet wide, we carry about 4 feet of it, rather a kindly lode, with stones of ore, spar, &c. This is all we are doing in the mine at present, and I hope, on the junction of the lodes east, which I expect in two or three months, I shall be able to give you a better account of this mine.

WEST SHARP TOR.—W. Richards, July 5: We obtain some good stones of grey ore from Morris's shaft occasionally, and the ground is the same character, and about the same for progress. No lode has been taken down in the 110 west in the past week; the ground is the same character, being a mixture of granite and elvan. The part of the lode being cut into in the cross-cut north of the new shaft is composed of capel, quartz, and iron in large quantities, and there is a large stream of water issuing from the end.

WEST TOLVADEN.—C. Thomas, July 7: From the Tolvaden lode at the 2, the 5, and the 15 fms. level, we have broken rich ore, of which I have sent specimens to London. Wherever we have seen the lode we find the branch of ore spoken of before on the north wall. We are now putting in the footway, and expect to have the water all out in the course of the coming week.

WEST TREVELYAN.—J. D. Osborn, July 8: Cater's shaft is sunk 10 fms. 4 ft. below the adit level. We shall be in a position on Monday next to drive the 10 north to cut the lode we have in the adit, which we hope to drive on in about two months; the ground is of the same nature as reported on before—a beautiful blue kyllas. The adit level is driven north from Cater's shaft 13 fms. 3 ft.; within the last 2 fms. driving we have cut three lodes; the first two producing a little tin and copper, with a beautiful gossan and prun; the last lode cut is of a harder nature, which makes me think it is a limb of the caunter, but we have not yet got through it. Next week I shall drill the old mine, to see what lodes these are we have cut in the adit, and how far north Park lode is standing.

WHEAL ADDAMS.—R. Moore, July 7: I have only now to confirm my last report in reference to the arches between the 18 and 28; all three lodes are standing in certain places, being about 9 ft. from the eastern wall of the eastern blende lode, to the western wall of the quartz lode; these three lodes are yielding lead, blende, and grey copper ore good work. The discovery I made and mentioned in my last, about 2 fms. north of the rise in the 28, I have commenced driving on the east and west lode; here we have a splendid lode of resin-blende, but cannot say the point of its bearing, together with some lead, from which we are raising very fine work, and hope by the second week in August, should this course of blende hold good, to have ready for sale 100 tons of blende, of good quality, together with some lead. We have now completed the footway at the south engine-shaft, and cased it down against the engine-shaft about 30 fathoms, having found it necessary to put in new stiles, in order to keep the sets in their place. We are about to commence repairing the sets of timber in the shaft above the rise, but have only two men engaged in this work. I intend to sink the trial shaft to the 18 fm. level, which will be little more than 4 fathoms to sink; we shall be able then to take away a large quantity of blende, north and south of the shaft, and by sinking this shaft to the 28, we shall be able to prove the beautiful course of lead on the western lode, cut some months since, from 6 to 8 fms. north, but its continuation is proved to extend south as far as the shaft will come down in the 18. This certainly, if there be no other discovery made in the mine, is worth a reasonable outlay, seeing that this important discovery is made on the point of the branches running between the quartz and western lodes; having cut these branches in a cross-cut about 10 fathoms further south, they appear to become shorter as they go south, which is one reason why this course of lead seems to sink; but the real permanent dip will not be ascertained until it leaves the branches, when most likely it will go dip north, as it is now proved many do.

WHEAL AGAR.—Wm. Roberts, July 6: In the 50, east of Windolow shaft, the lode continues 2½ ft. wide, producing 3 tons of ore per fm. Other parts are without alteration.

WHEAL ARTHUR.—T. Carpenter, July 5: Old Lode: The lode in the 40 west is 3 ft. wide, composed of mundle, and spots of copper ore. The deep adit level cross-cut south is driving by six men, at 50s. per fathom. The ground in the flat-rods shaft continues just as it has been for the last 3 fms.—a fine grained tough kyllas, with a little spar intermixed regularly throughout the ground. There are 6½ fms. more to sink to

the 40.—North Lode: The lode in Dorman's pitch, in bottom of deep adit west, is worth 10s. per fm. The lode in Buckingham's pitch, in back of adit west, is worth 12s. per fm. The lode in Jory's pitch, in bottom of deep adit west, is worth 6s. per fm.; and the lode in Rodda's pitch is worth 3s. per fm.—Eastern Mine, Old Lode: In the 20 east we have driven 6 fms. south by the side of the cross-course in search of the lode. It is impossible to form any idea of the distance the lode is heaved. The ground continues of much the same character, although there is a little more spar and can. Jane's stope, in back of the 20 east, is worth 6s. per fm.; and Jodges' stope, in bottom of the 14, is worth 4s. per fm.—North Lode: The ground in the 30 cross-cut is more favourably for driving. The lode in the deep adit level west is 3 ft. wide, composed of spar, mundle, and stones of copper ore.

WHEAL CROWNSDALE.—J. Richards, July 8: In the shallow adit level north the ground continues easy for progress. In the wine sinking below the 30 the lode is of the same value as last reported—5 tons of ore per fm. The lode in the pitch in the bottom of the 30, 60 fms. west of the wine, continues a good course of ore, worth 8 tons per fm., and will yield 8 per cent. for copper. Although good progress has been made in clearing the 40 we have not yet reached the end, and as we shall be dropping the pitwork for a deeper level, it will require some days longer to complete.

WHEAL EDWARD.—M. H. East, July 5: North Lode: The ground at diagonal shaft is easier for sinking. The lode in the 71 west is about 3 ft. wide, composed of capel, quartz, mundle, and spots of ore, and looking a little more promising. The lode in the 52 west is 3½ ft. wide, and yielding strong stones of ore, and the character of the ground is favourable for mineral. In the 32 cross-cut south a branch has been intersected, which has been pursued, as it contains some rich quality ore; more, however, can be said respecting it in the course of a few days, after it is further proved.—South Lode: The engine-shaft is down for a 71 fm. level, fork included. There is a piece of lode to strip down for about 4 feet high, after which we shall case and divide the shaft, and then commence driving east and west. The lode in Beer's wine is worth about 3 tons of ore per fathom. The lode in Thomas's stope, in the back of the 61 east, is worth fully 3 tons per fathom. There has been about 9 feet of lode taken down in the 61 west, which has yielded some very good ore, and the appearances are in favour of further improvement. The communication from the 40 to the 50 I expect will be made in about ten days. The principal points of the mine seem to indicate changes for the better.

WHEAL EMMA.—W. Goldworthy, July 8: The 64 west is rather hard at present; we are carrying about 4½ ft. of the lode, which is producing saving work. The 46 east is driven about 10 ft., the flokan part about 8 in. wide, the rest of the lode composed of quartz and capel, altogether about 3 ft. wide. The wine below the 34 is now down about 5½ fms., worth about 1½ ton of ore per fathom. The cross-cut at the 34 south is still in good ground: driven since survey day about 4½ fathoms, through several branches. The tribute department is without change.

WHEAL EMMA EXTENSION.—W. Goldworthy, July 8: Since intersecting the lode north we have driven about 8 ft., and find the same composed of quartz, capel, mundle, and spots of ore.

WHEAL EXMOUTH.—W. Skewes, J. Nicholls, J. Rodda, July 8: We have completed the timbering of the engine-shaft to the bottom, and are now in position to draw the stuff from the 60 and other levels to any extent that may be required for the further development of the mine. There has not been anything done in the 60 north since last reported, as we have not been able to draw the stuff. The lode in the 40 north continues large and hard, and is yielding about 15 cwt. of lead ore per fm.; the stratum in which the lode is embedded is becoming softer, and of a more conical character for lead, consequently we anticipate an improvement at this point ere long. The wine in bottom of the 40 south, on the east lode, is down about 2 fms., lode yielding ¾ ton of lead ore per fm. The lode in the 30 north is 1½ ft. wide, producing about 4 cwt. of lead ore per fm. The stopes in back of this level, on the western lode, are yielding fully ¾ ton of lead ore per fm. The cross-cut west from the 30 south has not as yet intersected the lode, which is at present poor. The rise in back of the 20 north is producing about ¼ ton of lead ore per fm., and the rise in back of the same level south is of about the same value. The lode in the 10 south is at present split up and disordered, consequently we have commenced cross-cutting east, being of opinion the main part of the lode is gone off in that direction. The stope in back of this level is about 7 fms., and now producing ¾ ton of lead ore per fm. The adit end south is yielding ¼ ton of lead ore per fm. All other operations are progressing favourably.

WHEAL HARRIETT.—S. Williams, July 3: The 100 cross-cut is progressing favourably. The lode in the 90 west is small. The lode in the 20 east is 2½ ft. wide, worth 1½ ton of ore per fathom, with appearance of a further improvement. The lode in the 74 is from 4 to 5 ft. wide, worth 1½ ton of ore per fathom. The lode in the 74, in the back of this level, is producing 2 tons of ore per fm. The lode in the deep adit is 2½ ft. wide, producing 2 tons of ore per fathom, this end is looking very kindly for so shallow a depth.

WHEAL HENRY HELVELLYN.—J. Muse, June 25: We have had the men from the rise cross-cutting, and have got a small quantity of ore. I have taken the men to work some ore in the roof beside the sump. In the upper level we still keep saving a little ore—a very strong vein, and good appearance. The new level is progressing well.

WHEAL KITTY (St. Agnes).—M. Edwards, J. Nicholas, July 3: The plat is cut in the 90, and we have driven the level 9 ft. west on the course of the lode, which begins to improve as we get out of the influence of the cross-course, being now 18 inches wide, worth 5s. per fm. The lode is also cut into on the east of the cross-course, but it is still disordered, and will, no doubt, remain so until we get a short distance from it. The lode in the 82 west is 2 ft. wide, worth 12s. per fm.; in the same level east it is 2 feet wide, worth 8s. per fm. In the 72 west, the lode is 18 in. wide, worth 7s. per fm.; in the same level east it is 2 ft. wide, worth 12s. per fm. In the 62 west the lode is 2 ft. wide, worth 12s. per fm. In the 54, driving east, the lode is 2 ft. wide, looks promising, and is worth 12s. per fm.—Holgate's Shaft: This shaft is now down nearly 11 fms. below the 75; we have passed through the slide, and no lode has been taken down here lately. In the 75 east the lode is large and promising, being 8 ft. wide, worth 17s. per fm. In the rise in the back of the 54 west the lode is 2 ft. wide, worth 4s. per fm. In the wine sinking in this place the lode is 18 in. wide, worth 7s. per fm. The tribute department continues much the same as before.

WHEAL MAUDLIN.—Wm. Treagay, July 3: The lode in the adit level east is continuing in its regular course, and size, being full 2½ feet wide, mostly gossan, with a little mundle, and now and then spots of ore, a very promising lode; but the branches, having passed through the lode are now on the north side going off from it, still containing small specks of native copper, and maintaining their regular distance from each other, about 2 ft.; the course of these branches is about east and west, while that of the lode is about 35° south of east. It will be well to drive upon both these lodes when we get down a shaft from surface for ventilation and for taking off the stuff, which will have to be done before any great length is driven.

WHEAL POLLARD.—J. Nance,

cent. refraction sold for 47s. 3d.; short prompt, and 400 bags of $6\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. refraction fetched 44s. 9d. ———

THE TIN TRADE.—The Netherlands Trading Company's sale of Banca Tin took place at Rotterdam on Tuesday, the quantity offered being 190,842 slabs, and the prices realised from 68 fl. to 70 fl., the average being 68½ fl., which is equal to 119s. per ton in London. The number of slabs offered was but 300 above that of last year; but, as it is admitted that at the last sale the majority of purchasers bought recklessly, and as the stock at disposal is considerably more than double at the present time as compared with July, 1857, it can scarcely create surprise that the price should have been so much higher in 1857 than in 1858. The price realised on Tuesday was lower than in any year since 1854, the figures being—1854, 66 fls.; 1855, 74½ fls.; 1856, 73½ fls.; 1857, 82½ fls.; and 1858, 68½ fls. The sale has this year been looked forward to with much more interest than usual, as the extraordinary conduct of buyers in 1857 altogether prevented any reliable calculations as to the probable result of Tuesday's sale being made; consequently the tin trade generally has continued in a very unsettled position from the time it was made known that so large a quantity would be offered; but, considering the result of the sale and the aspect of the market generally, there is good reason to anticipate an improvement. Biliton tin has realised since the sale 70 florins.

Mr. N. Breebaart (Goll and Co.) writes, under date July 6:—

"In the public sales of 190,842 slabs, which took place to-day, the whole quantity found ready buyers. The combination of the brokers established a price of 68 fl., which, however, was exceeded in a few instances by one single buyer, in consequence of which the average price advanced to 68 1/2 fl., unlimited orders, subject to a deduction of 10 per cent., as their number was so considerable that the quantity put up for public sale would have been sufficient. The prices ranged for—311 lots at 68 fl., 5 at 68½ fl., 9 at 68¾ fl., 51 at 69 fl., 4 at 69½ fl., 1 at 69¾ fl., 1 at 69 3/4 fl., 1 at 71 fl.; average price, 68 1/2 fl. 451 slabs Biliton, sold immediately after this sale, fetched 70 fl. The English buyers present at the sale bought very largely, but other countries have taken a comparatively smaller interest, a great many limits being too low; it appears, however, that several parties have calculated upon firm offers, which no doubt will find ready buyers."

The predictions of improved prospects in the **MISING MARKET**, though long in being verified, would appear to be near their realisation at last, and we have had a week of great activity in shares. The improvement

Harriett and other mines, reported at the beginning of the week, enabling numbers of speculators to realise large profits, threw more life into the market, and induced purchases in many adventures in which good profits are reasonably expected before long. But a telegram having been received this (Friday) morning from Mr. Pike, the purser of Wheal Harriett, stating that the ore in the 74 fm. level had failed, upon the information being made known shares immediately dropped to 21s., sellers, but have since recovered to 1½, buyers, and sellers cannot be found under 1½. The prices in the earlier part of the week fluctuated from 39s. to 45s. Among the shares more particularly enquired for are Cook's Kitchen, North Frances Be and Lanarth, Redmoor, Kelly Bray, &c. The rule moved for by West Basset has been argued and discharged, so that the South Frances adventurers are still triumphant; but it is to be regretted that the obstinacy of the West Basset adventurers, although the question has been twice decided against them, will cause further litigation. It is to be hoped that before more expense is incurred the disputants will see the desirability of a compromise. The piece of ground in dispute is scarcely worth the cost of the legal proceedings to either party, and the West Basset adventurers should recollect that they have already been deprived of one bi-monthly dividend this year. The effect of the proceedings upon the value of the shares of both of the mines is anything but satisfactory, and should the course proposed by West Basset be persisted in, shareholders in that mine may find it more difficult to dispose of their interest, and rid themselves from further liability, than they anticipate. The wisest step would be to submit to the South Frances adventurers a proposal to consult arbitrators, and this would no doubt, be agreed upon, and lead to an amicable settlement. The shares to be derived from the small piece of ground in dispute. The shares in South Frances became enquired after, and rose to 230 to 240; the dividend at the meeting was 7½ per share. On Thursday several letters were received in town from Cornwall by brokers and dealers, some asserting that the course of ore at the 74 was in Condurrow, others that it was dipping into it, and this had the effect of damping an otherwise rising market; the report we understand was freely circulated in Cornwall, and if for the object of depressing the London market, the originators of it hope will be traced. It is clear that many in Cornwall were also deceived by it, and a demand sprung up for Condurrow. The real fact is, as we understand it, that the 74 is upwards of 30 fathoms from the boundary and dipping only 15 inches in a fathom. Wheal Buller, 225 to 2 Wheal Margery, 12 to 12½, and it is reported that the mine never looks better. Providence Mines continue flat, and leave off 54 to 56. Par Cols, 19. West Pars in request at 16s. to 17s. 6d.; at the meeting a of 1s. per share was made on 12,000 shares, to put the finances in good condition, and the prospects of the mine are such as to promise early profit. East Bassets have been flat, at 87½ to 90. Herodsfoot in demand, at 87½ to 8½. Cook's Kitchen shares have advanced from a mere nominal price

to 42, with an upward tendency, in consequence of the improvements in the mine. Bell and Lanarths also in request, at 4 to 4½; the lode in shaft is of a promising character, and the progress will be watched with some interest. Wheal Unys have taken another start, and leave off at 5½; here again good improvements are talked of. Tincroft, 3½. No Frances have been largely dealt in at 8½ to 9½, the price leaving off to 8½ through an attempt to "bang" the market. Complaints are made that a fee of 2s. 6d. is charged for every transfer registered at the office, and this, it is said, checks business, and prevents the shares having the proper standing in the market. We call attention to it, therefore, in hope that the committee, whilst taking into consideration the remuneration to themselves, will abolish such an impost. Even Par Consols has yielded to public opinion on this point, and North Frances is the only mine to understand, now charging the transfer fee. Since our last the mine has been inspected, and the 36 end west, within 17 fms. of one of the courses, against which the parallel lodes of South Frances and West Bar are so productive, is reported as worth 30% per fm. Carn Brea, 53 to North Crofty, 4 to 4½. Wheal Edwards, pretty quiet, and leave off at 5½. Great Alfreds continue at 6 to 6½, but should be at a better price. Alfred Consols, scarcely named, and price about 10. Tamar Consols, 4½ and a demand springing up. Redmoor, in request at 7s. to 8s., but few sel found; Kelly Bay, 2½ to 2½; Wheal Arthur, 4½ to 5; East Russell, 5½ to 6. We understand Capt. C. Thomas has just inspected the mine, and reports favourably of it. Great South Tolgus, 14½ to 15; North Robert, 3; W. Margaret, 50 to 55; Grambler and St. Aubyn, 110 to 115, and rather more freely offered; the dividend was 2s. per share for the two months.

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relied on as a favourable symptom. Several inferior rallies in prices of shares in the London market from time to time have displayed indications to again embark in mining when confidence shall have been restored; we mean when confidence in public affairs shall become more settled; then we may expect to see securities of this nature in the ascendant, particularly as during the late trying panic none stood so well in public estimation, or produced so great or so regular dividends on the capital invested. With plenty of money waiting for profitable employment, with every prospect of an early and bountiful harvest, we should not be at all surprised at a reaction from the present and late apathy to be announced at any day; we perceive symptoms of it already, and hope many weeks are over to be the herald of a great and lasting improvement in British mining stocks.

At Redruth Ticking, on Thursday, 3873 tons of ore were sold, realising 21,294l. 10s. The particulars of the sale were—Average standard, 121l. 4s.; average produce, 63; average price, 5l. 10s.; quantity of fine copper, 263 tons 12 cwt. The particulars of the sales during the past month have been—

Date.	Tons.	Produce.	Standard.	Price per ton.	Ore copper.
July 10	4461	63	121 4	5 10	263 12
" 11	4746	63	121 4	5 10	263 12
" 12	2472	63	121 4	5 10	263 12
" 13	3489	63	121 4	5 10	263 12
" 14	3873	63	121 4	5 10	263 12

Compared with last week's sale, the standard has declined 1l. 6s., and the price per ton of ore 2s. 7d. Compared with the corresponding sale of last month, the standard has declined 5l. 2s., and the price per ton of ore 5s. 7d. There will be no ticking in Cornwall on Thursday next.

At Swansea, on Tuesday, 2605 tons of copper ore realised 28,577l. 8s., of which the Cobre Mines had 506 tons, and 6082l. 4s.; Cuba, 436 tons, 5132l. 18s. 6d.; Berehaven, 429 tons, 3531l. 3s.; Knockmahon, 306 tons, 1326l. 2s.; Parys, 254 tons, 882l. 13s. The next sale, July 20, will be 2027 tons, from Cobre, Knockmahon, Berehaven, Namaqualand, &c.

At Liverpool, on Monday, Messrs. Hastings, Andrew, and Co., will sample 45 tons of copper ore, in three parcels, for sale on 28th inst.—17 tons from Ashley Down; 7 tons Marie Josephine; and 21 tons George and Alps.

At South Wheal Frances meeting, on Monday, the accounts showed—Ore sold, April and May, 6800l. 17s. 8d.; tin, 131l. 19s. 9d.—6392l. 17s. 5d.—Mine cost, April and May, 2080l. 6s. 1d.; merchants' bills, 519l. 2s. 5d.; dues, 462l. 3s. 10d.; rates, 136l. 7s. 7d. The profit on the two months was 3744l. 17s. 6d., and the credit, last audit, 609l. 14s.; leaving balance in favour of adventurers, 4382l. 11s. 6d. A dividend of 3477l. (77 per share) was declared. Capt. W. Pascoe, J. Frisk, and H. Bennett reported that in the tribute district they had 38 pitches, working at 6s. 8d. in 14.

At Gribbler and St. Aubyn meeting, on Tuesday, the accounts showed—Balance last audit, 761l. 12s. 3d.; ore sold, 1392l. 10s. 5d.; 1490s. Mine cost, April, 352l. 7s. 11d.; May, 321l. 0s. 11d.; merchants' bills, 192l. 3s. 2d.; dues, 166l. 10s. 11d.; rates, 111l. 10s. 11d.—6392l. 17s. 5d.—Mine cost, April and May, 2080l. 6s. 1d.; merchants' bills, 519l. 2s. 5d.; dues, 462l. 3s. 10d.; rates, 136l. 7s. 7d. The profit on the two months was 3744l. 17s. 6d., and the credit, last audit, 609l. 14s.; leaving balance in favour of adventurers, 4382l. 11s. 6d. A dividend of 3477l. (77 per share) was declared. Capt. W. Pascoe, J. Frisk, and H. Bennett reported that in the tribute district they had 38 pitches, working at 6s. 8d. in 14.

At the John of Towry Mine meeting, on Thursday (Mr. T. Field in the chair), the accounts showed a balance in favour of adventurers of 1464l. 5s. 6d. A dividend of 1000l. (1s. per share) was declared. The proceedings, which are reported in an other column, terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

At Tolvalden Mine meeting, the accounts for March and April showed—Balance last audit, 1627l. 12s. 4d.; mine cost, 639l. 19s. 5d.; merchants' bills, 207l. 11s. 9d.; 2608l. 6s. 1d.—Sales of copper ore (less 1-18th lord's dues), 2077l. 3s. 2d.; children (at 6s. 6d. per cwt.), 1l. 7s. 6d.; leaving balance against adventurers, 529l. 16s. 3d. Capt. F. Gundry and E. Johns reported that the mines and pitches are looking very favourable. They sold 275 tons of copper ore on Thursday, which realised 2153l.

At Trumpet Consols Mine meeting, June 30, the accounts showed—Balance last audit, 1487l. 1s. 10d.; mine cost, 1694l. 3s. 4d.; merchants' bills, 241l. 1s. 9d.; 2676l. 6s. 11d.—Call received, 397l. 2s. 3d.; leaving balance against adventurers, 863l. 4s. 8d. Captains E. Kendall and B. Dunston reported that on Wheal Valves lode they expect to get down to the 30 very quickly, where there was said to be 110 men and 50 boys and girls were employed on the mine.

At Wheal Tremayne special meeting, on Tuesday, it was resolved that Messrs. T. Field and Hayre and Co., with the pursuer, be appointed a committee for the general purposes of the mine, and that they be authorised to negotiate with the adventurers in the adjoining mine as to the future draining the water.

At South Wheal Ellen meeting, on Tuesday, the accounts showed—Mine cost, April, 235l. 17s.; May, 204l. 18s. 1d.; merchants' bills, 450l. 8s. 8d.; 931l. 9s. 6d.—Balance last audit, 31s. 5d.; copper ore sold, 319l. 7s. 3d.; rent received, 4l.; leaving balance against adventurers, 634l. 9s. A call of 10s. per share was made. The pursuer stated that the call, with the returns of ore, would enable him to go on for four months, and that with a little improvement in the western ground he hoped to go on and work the mine effectually without another call. The total arrears of call did not exceed 600l., and all the merchants' bills were paid, except the small sum of 62l. 7s. 7d. The agent reported that the mine was looking better than for some time past, and the next sampling would be about 130 tons.

At Oola Silver-Lead and Copper Mining Company meeting, on Monday (Mr. E. J. Wilson in the chair), it was resolved that a copy of Mr. Wordsworth's opinion should be circulated among the shareholders, and that a special meeting be convened, for the purpose of considering the propriety of taking steps for winding-up and reconstituting the company—at that meeting Capt. Champion should be requested to furnish all bills, and a full report of the present and future prospects of the mine.

At West Par Consols Mining Company meeting, on Tuesday (Mr. S. W. Davies in the chair), the accounts showed—Balance of cash in favour of the adventurers, 167l. 11s. 9d. A call of 1s. per share was made. The proceedings, which are fully reported in another column, terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

At New Crow Hill Mines meeting on Monday (Mr. J. D. Brunton in the chair), three committee members were chosen and an auditor elected. The Union Bank of London was elected only. Some conversation took place on the proposed purchase of quarrying stations, and it was stated that Mr. Hamilton, the Governor of the Australian Agricultural Company, who is proceeding to the colony, has been requested to survey the Peel River property, and that purchases will be effected in cases where he and the general superintendent may concur upon their advisability.

At the Peel River Land and Mineral Company meeting, on Tuesday (Mr. H. Hughes in the chair), the report was adopted, and a dividend declared of 2s. per share, free of income-tax. The quotations are as follow: Brightsides and Froggatt's, 3s. 6d.; the success of the pastoral operations, which have produced a return of 32 per cent. upon the capital employed in them. The number of sheep, when compared with preceding years, shows a decrease, the scarcity of eligible stock having prevented the judicious outlay of a sum of 1770l. derived from the previous sale of 7262 old ewes. The net income from miners' licenses at the gold fields was 300l.; 5 tons of quartz are about to be sent to Europe to be tested. The working expenses have diminished, and further reductions will be made. Of the 24,500l. due from Messrs. Sanderson, Sandeman, and Co., 2250l. remains unpaid, or, after receipt of the dividend on the estate of that firm announced this morning, about 1700l. only. Some conversation took place on the proposed purchase of quarrying stations, and it was stated that Mr. Hamilton, the Governor of the Australian Agricultural Company, who is proceeding to the colony, has been requested to survey the Peel River property, and that purchases will be effected in cases where he and the general superintendent may concur upon their advisability.

In the Foreign Share Market, the amount of business transacted during the week has been exceedingly limited. St. John del Rey and Imperial Brazilians are lower; the former closing at 11½ to 12½, and the latter 1½ to 1¾. Worthings have been dealt in at 5s. 6d. to 6s. 6d., and New Grand Duchy of Baden, at 2½ to 3; the ordinary annual meeting of the old company will be held on the 31st, but will be merely formal; the progress of the new company has been highly satisfactory lately. On the 27th, the meeting of the Cobre Association will take place, and a director will be elected in the place of Mr. Russell Ellice, resigned. The United Mexican meeting is fixed for the 28th. Santiagos are quoted ¼ to ¾; but very few transactions have taken place.

From Leeds, our correspondents (Messrs. Gledhill and Co.) state that the mining interest is a little improved this week, and we hope soon to see confidence restored. Great exertions are being made by several of the mines in the northern districts to raise ore, bring it into the market, and make returns to the enterprising shareholders. Let this be once accomplished and carried on, and mining and its varied interests will be looked upon with respect and received with increased favour by many of those who at present treat it with doubt and distrust. We hope soon to be able to give you a few particulars of some of the mines who accomplish these pleasing results.

Our Sheffield correspondent (Mr. Wilson) reports that the mining share market remains exceedingly quiet, the only business done being Mill Town at 3, and Prices of Wales at 3½. The quotations are as follow: Brightsides and Froggatt's, 3s. 6d.; to 3½; Chapel Dale, 2½ to 3; Cowden Rake, 1 to 1½; Cranfield, 1 to 1½; Mill Town, 2½ to 3; Mill Dam, ¼ to ½; to par; Eyan, 40 to 45; New Midland, ¼ to ½; North Derbyshire, ¼ to ½; Peak United, 1 to 1½; Peak Forest, 1½ to 2; Price of Wales, 3½ to 4; Wheal Mary Great Consols, 1 to 1½; Winkley, 1½ to 1¾.

Our Hull correspondent (Messrs. Flint and Co.) report that our market for railway shares has considerably improved during the past week, but the advance has not been fully maintained, and the public do not come in as buyers to any extent.

AUSTRALIA.—A telegram announces the arrival of the *European*, with the Australian May mail, at Malta. The dates are Melbourne, May 16; Sydney, May 11; Adelaide, May 12. A bill to augment the number of members of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria had passed through the Lower House. The Government had conditionally contracted for the construction of one of the main trunk lines—from Melbourne to Mount Alexander. The Melbourne and Adelaide line of electric telegraph was completed, but not in operation, or else the dates from Adelaide would have been the same as from Melbourne. The yield of gold was increasing considerably; the first four months of the year give a very large excess, as compared with the returns for the same period of 1857. Another gold field, of large extent, had been discovered near the Murray River, on the Sydney side. Money was abundant, and trade much improved at Melbourne. The *European* brings gold dust to the value of 138,108l., and the following ships are advised as having left Port Phillip with the precious metal—the *Shooting Star*, with 41,538 ozs.; *Heather Bell*, with 75,732 ozs.; *Eagle*, 25,945 ozs.; which, including that overdue by the *Royal Charter*, give an aggregate value of 1,254,108l. of Australian gold in transit to this country.

The Marseilles portion of the letters may be expected in London on Monday next, the morning of which day the Southampton portion of the outward Australian mail leaves that port. The Southampton portion of the May mail, which is always the bulk of the correspondence, is not anticipated to reach its destination until the 16th, on the evening of which day the Marseilles division of the letters leaves with the outward July mail; so that again on this occasion, as was the case last month, the commercial community and the public will lose the opportunity of replying to their correspondence which comes via Southampton. The March London mail did not arrive at Melbourne until May 13, consequently the colonists at Sydney and Adelaide had no opportunity of replying by the present homeward May mail; indeed, the letters had not reached their several ports when the steamer left Melbourne. Truly may it be asked how much longer are the interests of commerce, both here and in the colonies, to suffer through this repeated irregularity? We trust some Member of the House of Commons will question the representatives of both the Treasury and the Admiralty as to this matter, which literally has become a mercantile evil, not to be borne in these days of progress. We have repeatedly directed attention to the subject of efficient postal communications via Suez, between England and the Australian colonies, and demonstrated the necessity of even fortnightly mails as due to, and indeed necessary for, the great and growing trade and intercourse of these colonies with Europe. A valuable letter on this point appeared in the *Times* of yesterday, from Mr. Edward Wilson, a gentleman well known in Melbourne, whose opinions and views merit the attention of the Home Government, and fully confirm our oft-expressed remonstrances.

It will be recollected that this boundary question was tried at the last Bodmin Assize, and a verdict taken for the plaintiffs (South Frances Mine), with leave reserved to the defendants (the West Basset Mine) to move for a rule, calling upon the plaintiffs to show cause why the verdict should not be entered for the defendants instead of for the plaintiffs. This rule has been argued and discharged, but the question between the two mines remains unsettled. The West Basset adventurers have given notice of an appeal against this decision, which will be tried before the 15 judges, and have also commenced an action against the South Frances adventurers, which, in all probability, will be tried at the next Bodmin Assize.

A pamphlet* has just been published by Mr. BENJAMIN COLEMAN, a gentleman well known and respected in the City, giving the history of an extraordinary case of libel in which he has been engaged, and in which Mr. EDWIN WARD JACKSON, a magistrate of the county of Middlesex, was the defendant. It will, no doubt, be in the recollection of our readers that Mr. COLEMAN charged Mr. JACKSON, some months ago, on two occasions, before the magistrates as being the author of certain anonymous defamatory letters, signed "A City Merchant," and after lengthened investigations the magistrates dismissed the summonses. Mr. JACKSON denied the imputation in the strongest terms, and published "a public denial," and Mr. COLEMAN was placed by Mr. JACKSON in the unenviable position of being suspected of having written the letters himself; in fact, that was the direct charge of Mr. JACKSON's counsel, "for the purpose of extorting money," &c.

The case appears to have been carried to the Queen's Bench, and from thence by a Rule of Court submitted to arbitration, and decided recently against Mr. JACKSON—the arbitrators awarding Mr. COLEMAN 4000l. damages, and the costs, amounting to 4800l. more, thus establishing the charge which the magistrates had dismissed. We forbear from comment on this singular case, merely contenting ourselves by assuring our readers that the story, as related by Mr. COLEMAN, together with the documentary evidence, and the report of Mr. JACKSON's cross-examination on oath, will fully repay an attentive perusal. We adopt with pleasure, as applicable to the present case, the sentiments recently used by our leading contemporary when commenting on the case of Lady DUNORREN—

"We have no mercy for persons in the enjoyment of distinctive titles, and a certain social rank, who commit offences against good taste and proper delicacy of feeling, still less when they commit crimes." Their temptations are less, and their education is better, and their example is more pernicious than when the offenders are from the common ranks. They are also more amenable to the voice of society than to the whip of the law, and they must submit to a moral, though they do not adorn a tale."

* Extraordinary Case of Libel—Benjamin Coleman v. Edwin Ward Jackson. Addressed to the Members of the Stock Exchange, the Magistrates of the County of Middlesex, and the Commercial Community generally.—Reynolds and Co., Old Broad-street.

The return of the Bank of England for the week ending Wednesday, compared with the previous weekly return, showed the following results:—

Circulation issue	£1,204,450	Decrease	£510,310
Circulation active	20,537,770	Decrease	113,015
Public deposits	6,994,930	Decrease	400,199
Other deposits	15,155,045	Decrease	46,223
Government securities in banking department	10,692,417	Increase	15,454
Other securities in banking department	16,885,445	Increase	259,756
Coin and bullion in both departments	17,408,557	Decrease	829,790
Seven day and other bills	808,527	Increase	41,383
The rest	3,211,647	Increase	37,544
Notes in reserve	10,666,680	Decrease	623,235
Total reserve (notes and coin) in banking department	11,345,887	Decrease	642,905

The Bank's reserve has experienced a further considerable decrease, owing to the increase of a quarter of a million in the "other" securities, coupled with the demands upon the Treasury at this period. Of the decrease of 829,790l. in the coin and bullion, a portion probably represents coin withdrawn for the ordinary country payments.—*Daily News*.

The Gazette statement of the movement of the precious metals for the week ending Wednesday last gives the following totals—Imports of gold, 200,483l.; exports of gold, 217,145l.; imports of silver, 57,036l.; exports of silver, 115,942l.

GOLD AND SILVER.—A return of the imports and exports of gold and silver, as laid before the committee of the House of Commons (now sitting), for the past seven years (1851 to close of 1857), produces the following results:—Imports of gold into Europe from producing countries in seven years, to the end of 1857, £130,000,000. Imports of silver 29,870,000 = £159,870,000. Exports of gold beyond Europe £22,500,000. Exports of silver to India and China 66,670,000 = £ 79,170,000. Estimated increase to stock of bullion in Europe £80,700,000.

MINES (CORNWALL) BILL.—In the House of Commons, last night, the Chancellor of the Exchequer introduced a bill to declare and define the respective rights of her Majesty, and of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and Duke of Cornwall, to the mines and minerals in or under land lying below high-water mark, within and adjacent to the county of Cornwall, and for other purposes.

SUBMARINE MINES IN CORNWALL.—Some papers relating to the rights of the Queen and the Prince of Wales and Duke of Cornwall in certain mines lying below high-water mark, in and adjacent to the county of Cornwall, were published yesterday. The Lord Chancellor (Cranworth) and the Chancellor of the Duchy of Cornwall appeared in Feb., 1856, to Sir John Patteson for his opinion on the subject, and Sir John decided that the right to the minerals between high and low-water mark has passed to, and is vested in, the Duke of Cornwall, and that the right to the minerals below low-water mark remains, and is vested in, the Crown. A further award was made by Sir J. Patteson on Feb. 25, last, to the effect that his decision as to the right of the Crown to submarine minerals was intended to apply only to the open sea, being no part of Cornwall, and that the right to minerals under estuaries and rivers, even below low-water mark, was in the Duchy. It was subsequently proposed on behalf of the Crown that when the workings by the Crown lessees were confined to land lying between high-water mark and low-water mark, parcel of the possessions of the Duchy, the compensation to be made by the Crown should be one-fifth part of the net dues or moneys received from its lessees, in addition to compensation for any injury to wharves or other structures on the shore; and that, inasmuch as it would be impossible to fix by anticipation any rate of compensation which would meet the justice of every case where the workings were carried on upon land above high-water mark, and which might be occupied as farms or otherwise, such compensation should, in case of dispute, be settled by arbitration in each case as it might arise. Those proposals have been accepted on the behalf of the Duchy.

LEAD ORES.				
Sold on the 5th July.				
Mines.	Tons.	Price per ton.	Purchasers.	
Round Hill	22½	£13 1 0	A. Courage and Co.	
ditto	22½	13 1 0	A. Eytton.	
Sold on the 7th July.				
Wheal Wrey Consols	50	17 6	T. Somers.	
Ticking at Holywell, 8th July.				
Macyrreddu (Talargoch)	21	12 0	Newton, Keates, & Co.	
Coetia Llys (Talargoch)	33	12 0	Walker, Parker, & Co.	
Talacre	2½	13 0	A. Eytton.	
Deep Level	45	12 0	ditto	
Holywell Level	20	14 0	A. Eytton.	
Rhosmor	75	13 0	Newton, Keates, & Co.	
Mount Pleasant	16	12 0	ditto	
ditto	10	16 7 6	Walker, Parker, & Co.	
Nantymwyn	40	12 6	Newton, Keates, & Co.	
Pencraig	5	11 6	ditto	
Catherine and Jane Consols	10	11 6	A. Courage and Co.	

BLACK TIN.				
Sold on the 30th June.				
Mines.	Tons.	Price per c. q. lb.	Amount.	Purchasers.
Fedn-ndrea United	3 0	17	£505 1 2	Bischo Co.
ditto	3 1	17	513 11	ditto
ditto	2 0	23	45 15 0	ditto
ditto	2 5	3 1	68 5 0	Dambuz & Co.
ditto	2 13	1 25	63 2 6	ditto
ditto	0 14	0 10	48 10 0	ditto
Leeds and St. Aubyn	6 4	1 15	61 5 0	ditto
East Wheal Level	2 15	1 25	178 10	1-Bischo Co.

Sold on the 24 July.				
Bottle Hill	4 0	2 0	£82 12 6	252 1 4—Tretwellan Co.
ditto	0 3	2 20	32 0 0	5 19 5—ditto
Sold on the 4th July.				
St. Austell Consols	10 0	0 0	63 2 6	631 5 0—Enthoven & Sons.

COPPER ORES.				
Sampled June 16, and sold at Swansea July 6.				
Mines.	Tons.	Produce.	Price.	
Cobre	506	63	£10 11 6	
ditto	429	63	10 10 0	
ditto	306	63	10 12 6	
ditto	254	63	10 7 6	
ditto	436	63	10 13 6	
ditto	429	63	20 1 0	
ditto	306	63	21 0 0	
ditto	254	63	8 6 0	
ditto	436	63	8 9 6	
ditto	429	63	7 17 0	
ditto	306	63	10 4 0	
ditto	254	63	10 7 0	
ditto	436	63	9 9 6	
ditto	429	63	18 17 0	
ditto	306	63	15 4 0	
ditto	254	63	66 10 0	
ditto	436	63	4 7 0	
ditto	429	63	4 7 0	
ditto	306	63	1 16 0	
ditto	254	63	18 19 0	

TOTAL PRODUCE.				
Mines.	Tons.	Produce.	Price.	
Cobre	506	63	£882 13 0	
Berehaven	429	63	5011 8 6	
Cuba	436	63	499 10 0	
Knockmahon	306	63	457 10 0	
Spanish	139	63	261 16 0	
Yanganooka	18	63	3048 19 0	

COMPANIES BY WHOM THE ORES WERE PURCHASED.				
Tons.				
Amount.				
Copper Miners' Company	271	£3056 1 0		
P. Grenfell and Sons	244	3394 1 6		
Sims, Williams, Nevill, and Co.	267	3728 10 0		
Vivian and Sons	421½	5381 12 6		
Williams, Foster, and Co.	660	8261 12 6		
Mines Royal Company	40	1316 18 0		
British and Foreign Copper Company	76	2035 5 6		
F. Bankart	76	1073 7 6		
Charles Lambert	224	988 14 6		
Total	2605	£28,577 8 0		

AVERAGES.				
Produce.				
Price.				
Standard.				
British	6¾	£5 16 0	£116 14 6	
Foreign	16 17-16	14 4 0	100 3 0	
Sale	12 13-16	11 0 0	£103 10 6	
Totals—British, 989; Foreign, 1616=2605 tons (21 cwt.).				

Poyatos 19—Springbok 48, 39—Wheal Maria 46, 18, 1.—Total, 2027 cwt.			
AVERAGES.			
	Produce.	Price.	Standard.
British	67½	£ 5 16 0	£116 14 6
Foreign	16 17-16	14 4 0	100 3 0
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Sale	12 13-16	£11 0 0	£103 10 6
Totals—British, 369; Foreign, 1616=2695 tons (21 cwt.)			
AVERAGES OF LAST SALE.			
	Produce.	Price.	Standard.
British	75½	£ 6 13 0	£116 16 0
Foreign	14½	13 1 6	103 17 0
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Sale	11 13-16	£10 8 0	£107 6 0
Totals—British, 759; Foreign, 1083=1844 tons (21 cwt.)			

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* Much inconvenience having arisen, in consequence of several of the Numbers during the past year being out of print, we recommend that the Journal should be regularly filed on receipt: it then forms an accumulating useful work of reference.

DENKOR MINING COMPANY.—I was informed, some few months since, that a company was in course of formation for working these mines, which were formerly opened by an association who sold the ore for the benefit of the directors, and not the shareholders. Probably, through the medium of your columns, some of the present directors will inform the old shareholders on what terms they may become participants in the new association. It must be remembered that the last failure cannot either be attributed to the mine or the shareholders. Had some of the committees not have appropriated the funds, and then declared themselves indebted to the adventure, there would have been money in hand sufficient to have developed the lodes, sunk the shafts, and further extended the levels. It is to be hoped that when the mine again comes into operation the agent appointed will not be allowed to purchase sets and manage mines on his own account, either at Wrexham or elsewhere.

VEGETABLE PLANTS.—Mr. ENNER would confer a great boon on society if he would send a few specimens of his discoveries to the Museum of Practical Geology, Jermyn-street, and other places, where they may be studied.

F. P. (Turro).—The name of the party was inadvertently published. If some definite plan were put forward, and a method shown how to commence *de novo*, means might be devised to carry out the undertaking. The opinion is, that a total dissolution of the old company must take place, and those starting afresh be freed from all the incumbrances which now weigh so heavily on the undertaking, and can have no other tendency than to retard the development of the resources it is known to possess in such an eminent degree.

COLA MINING COMPANY.—A circular has been issued calling a meeting, for the purpose of considering the propriety of increasing the capital. We are asked to do this, and yet, with the exception of brief notes from the mine read at the quarterly meetings, Capt. Champion (the agent) never condescends to let the shareholders know how the property is progressing. I have no wish to speculate in shares, but there are others who would like to see the scrip have some marketable value; but how can this be when the agent, notwithstanding he has been requested to send reports, pertinaciously withholds all information. The complaint against Capt. Crase was the paucity of information he afforded. It appears to me that we have fallen from the frying-pan into the fire. I would ask, has the 100l. worth of ore been sold, and what quantity is now being raised weekly?—J. Fenchurch-street.

ROSSIE LEAD MINE (U.S.).—Under the head of "Notices to Correspondents" in your Journal of July 3, I observed a reference made to the Rossie Lead Mine, in the United States. Having visited this mine in 1856, soon after it was opened, I found it to consist of a vein, on the edge of which were several glistening heaps or piles of galena which had been extracted; but what struck me as unpromising was—first, the narrowness of the vein (about 1 ft. 6 in.); secondly, the hardness of the rock it traversed; and thirdly, and above all, the rapid dip of the former, being almost vertical. Its bearing is southward and northward, apparently passing into Canada above Cornwall. I subsequently visited the Canada side, between Cornwall and Gananoqui, with the view of tracing the continuation of the vein into Canada; but with the exception of strong indications, such as crystals of galena and sulphate of barytes, I saw no traces of the vein. My inspection, however, was very cursory and superficial. I reported at the time, through the *Kingston Chronicle*, my observations on the mineralogy of this section of country, but, retaining no copy of the communication, I now report from memory.—A CORRESPONDENT.

ROSSIE AND CANADA LEAD COMPANY.—The pamphlet which stated the Victoria lodes were so rich was printed in London, for private circulation. I do not mean to vouch for its contents, but it is my intention in any way to deteriorate from the merits of the directors, two of whom, Messrs. Cox and Crosby, in addition to their other qualifications, are known to have great experience in mining. The company, we are told, has been pursuing its work for two years—I trust prosperously. A prospectus has, however, lately been issued, as I take it, asking for additional capital. Surely, those who are interested in mining adventures may require explanations without being supposed to belong to either a rival interest, or be classed in the category of disappointed speculators.—SCEPTIC.

MINING IN FLINTSHIRE.—In last week's Journal there is a notice, signed "A Friend," on the subject of the Pantasia Mine, which contains so many misrepresentations as to require a few observations, or they might have been permitted to vanish in all their impotence, like the "mountain mist." It is believed that this "Friend" and Mr. Turton are *duo juncti in uno*, and, therefore, the assurance given that he is a "most respectable man" with it superlative weight, and quite extraneous any misgivings on a subject rendered peculiarly questionable by the language of the letters addressed to some of the shareholders, and for which they were compelled to cease further correspondence. It is not true that the deputation had an interview with a gentleman residing near Whitford, and it is equally untrue that any one introduced them to the Welsh agent. It is not true that the Welsh agent sought to condemn the mine, but merely answered questions put to him by the deputation. It is not true that the deputation went down to see why the great riches were not brought to light, but for the purpose of seeing how the immense sums of money had been, and were being, laid out. It is not true that the under agent was appointed in Mr. Turton's stead, as he was merely kept in his place to perform what he appeared always to have done—that of really superintending the mine, short only of the necessary correspondence; Mr. Turton's office being that of spending money at the rate of something approaching to 60 per cent. beyond what necessity dictated, and for which alone he was discharged. It is not true that the company refused to pay Mr. Turton's wages unless he "signs a receipt as having no claim against the company." In short, the whole affair is a network of misrepresentations, and it would become Mr. Turton's "Friend" to say less in this strain, and tell the public he got 200l. cash down for the mine, which he could get from no other quarter, and that the mine was taken more to satisfy his pressing importunities than any very pleasing indications it presented.—VERITAS.

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MINING IN TAVISTOCK.—In your last Journal there was a reply to "Querist" respecting Wheal William Bull Mine, which was not accurate. Whether he knew this or not, he was certainly not justified in insinuating that Devon Consols was the only good mine in the Tavistock district. He could not have forgotten the old Friendship Mine, which has paid dividends for half a century; Bedford Consols for many years; Crown-down and Grebner, both likely to do so again; also, the Tamar Mines, Gunnis Lake, Hington Down, and several others. It would almost appear, Mr. Editor, that the intention of "Querist" was to bring, not only men, but mines into disrepute. For the information of those not in the secret, I may add that "Wheal William Bull" is Mr. William Bull Harvey, of Tavistock, who bought from Messrs. Skinner the sweepings of the quarry at Gawton, and entered in the samples' books by the party sampling the ore "Wheal William Bull." Wheal Eliza was likewise a fiction. Such practical jokes ought not to be played—certainly not sent to your Journal.—C.

MINING IN PORTUGAL.—In your Journal of June 26 an account appears of some concessions which Mr. Croft has obtained in that country. I by no means wish to underrate their value, convinced, as I am, that these will be available, at some future period, as a considerable field for mining in that portion of the Iberian peninsula; it must, however, be remembered that the labour to be obtained is unskilled. The people are greatly prejudiced against foreigners, there is but poor accommodation, and a want of transport. When these difficulties are obviated, I believe capital can be then judiciously employed; but I question much whether, until local improvements (which must come from the inhabitants themselves) take place, Portugal will be any great area for mining adventure.—L. N.

THE "GREAT EASTERN," AND THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH CABLE.—A few days since, the *Times* advocated the employment of the *Great Eastern* for the purpose of laying down the Atlantic telegraph cable. At the first return of the *Niagara*, last year, Mr. John Clark, jun., of Liverpool, in the *Mining Journal* of Aug. 22, proposed that this monster vessel should be employed for that purpose, and pointed out the advantages to be derived from the utilisation of the *Great Eastern*, and the risks to be avoided thereby. I have no wish to deteriorate from the merits of the suggestion afforded by the leading journal, but I think, in common justice to your correspondent, Mr. Clark, that it should be known that, through the medium of your columns, he gave publicity to the same idea.—FAIR PLAY.

"F. G." (Birmingham).—The Ave Maria Company, although they had a locality, never completed the purchase with Mr. O'Connor. The greater portion of the capital subscribed was disbursed in London. One of the heaviest items was directors' fees for attendance; several of these subsequently were in bankruptcy.

QUARTZ REDUCTION COMPANY.—From the report of the annual meeting, I perceive that we are to wait another month, in order to receive advice from the mines. It is now discovered that Mr. Attwood is a man totally unfit for his place. He has been in the service of the *Agua Fria* and this association since 1851: surely it is now too late in the day to accuse the gentleman of incompetency. He is absent, and not able to defend himself. Would it not be better that the board should look at home first? Many of the gentlemen who directed gold mining operations in this country were as ignorant as the parties sent out to manage their affairs in Australia and California.—JUSTITIA.

SCIENTIFIC TERMS.—A Travelling Geologist would ill become his profession were he not acquainted with such terms as "Matter of Fact" alludes to. But as miners are much more likely to meet with such phenomena as Mr. ENNER describes, he wishes his nomenclature to be so simply arranged that the comparatively uneducated may understand them.

WHEAL SAMSON.—"H. G. S." in your Journal of June 5, asks if the Chancery suit of Wheal Samson is arranged? I am an annual subscriber to your excellent paper, and am, shall I say, disappointed that there has not been an answer given—nay, it would have astonished me more had there been; for, under the present management, the general body of shareholders will know but little, unless they demand a general special meeting, and that advertised for three successive weeks. How is it that Mr. F. S. Thomas, or Mr. Barclay, have not answered your correspondent? It is but right we shareholders should know what is going on. I do know that Mr. F. S. Thomas was on the mine two months ago, and likewise have heard that some tons weight of stuff has been set up, and sold at a large amount. I hope next week to be informed of a general meeting when I will attend, and see fair play for those interested.—F. R. S.: *Pimlico*, July 7.

NORTH PART OF FOWEY CONSOLS DISTRICT.—The letter of "A Mine Captain" shall appear in our next Journal.

GOLD REDUCTION.—On July 15, Mr. Squire is to explain his process at the London Tavern; this, if found practicable, will solve a vexed question, and be of infinite value. I trust not alone will this meeting be attended by those interested in gold mining companies, but those likewise concerned in the extraction of the precious metal. If, at the same time, we could receive the opinions of Messrs. Calvert and Harris as to the merits of their respective inventions, a great fund of information would be added to alchemical knowledge. Mr. Squire has set the example, and those who profess to be acquainted with the subject should be present, in order to bear testimony to his process, if it should be as useful as he imagines.—C.

MINING IN FLINTSHIRE.—We think the letter of "A Friend to the W. M." had better not appear, and that the correspondence should now cease. Each party has had full opportunity of explaining their views, and further discussion may become too personal.

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The bill for establishing the boundaries of, and giving a Government and Legislature to, a portion of the territories held by the Hudson's Bay Company, was read a second time on Thursday night. This is now a matter of great general interest, in consequence of the recent discoveries of gold deposits, and the tide of emigration which is therefore setting in towards these regions. The country is to be designated New Caledonia; a most unwise decision we consider on the part of the Colonial Office, when it is remembered that the French possess an island of the same name adjacent to our Australian possessions, between which and New Caledonia a large trade is carried on. It, therefore, seems strange that this name should have been selected; and indeed it is to be hoped that some other and more appropriate appellation will be given to this important territory before the measure passes through the Committee.

This portion of the American continent consists of the land east of the Rocky Mountains, granted by charter from the Crown; the territory west of these mountains, held under an Act of Parliament, and Vancouver's Island. It is to the regions west of the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific to which the bill applies. Vancouver's Island is to be established as a separate colony, and the territory east of the Rocky Mountains is to be brought under the consideration of Parliament in a separate form.

This New Caledonia is represented as being fertile in the extreme, and requiring only proper culture and civilisation to render it altogether a most desirable settlement. The coast possesses several excellent harbours, and the climate is said to be congenial. Its extent is about 420 miles long, with an average breadth of from 250 to 300 miles, being in some parts 400 miles. From corner to corner it is 805 miles, and the area is about 200,000 miles.

The discovery of gold is, however, the attraction now, whatever may be the result of the introduction of a European population. It is already found in two rivers—the Fraser and the Thompson, chiefly at their confluence; and the general impression is that it abounds in many other parts of this region; and, as passengers from England may reach this place in 35 days, *via* New York and Panama, there is no doubt that enterprising men will soon be found ready and willing to explore and open up this new treasure house of the precious metal. Indeed, it appears that Mr. CUNARD has already offered to the Government to carry out a system of postal intercourse, so that every facility will be readily established for the conveyance of passengers and commercial intelligence. The present gold fields have been denominated the "Contean Mines," from the name of the natives in that portion of this territory.

When gold began to be sent home from California in large quantities, and was subsequently discovered in even greater deposits in Australia, all Europe was apprehensive that the currency of nations would be deranged, and the precious metal become a drug; but with the production, increased requirements came; and, so far from there being an over abundance, it is clear that further discoveries are desirable to keep pace with the commercial and mercantile demand for this metal. Being found in New Caledonia is, therefore, a feature of considerable moment, and it is imperative that every facility should be given by the Government to those who desire to open up these districts; but, from the statement made by the Colonial Secretary to the House of Commons, there is evidently every disposition to provide all that is necessary in this respect; while, at the same time, wild and rash adventure will be kept in check as much as possible.

The question of liability of companies for messages transmitted by the electric wires has been settled by a verdict of 2000l. damages against the South Eastern Railway, and in favour of the Lewes Bank. It appears that a station-master forwarded intelligence to the chief office in London that the bank had stopped payment, whereupon instructions were sent to every station not to receive checks or orders on the Lewes Bank, and rumour quickly spreading, similar directions were given to the Brighton and South Coast Line. It was all a myth; but a heavy run on the bank was produced by the report, which, however, was provided for by the prompt remittance of bank notes and specie from the London agents. The South Eastern Company endeavoured to justify their act, and, failing that, tried to throw the entire onus on the station-master who gave circulation to the statement in the first instance, and in fact did everything they could to defend the company, instead of showing willingness to do all in their power to remedy the mischief occasioned, or to clear up the

mystery as to the origin of the rumour. All, however, was unavailing, and the verdict was given against them as already mentioned.

No doubt this is a just decision, and is one of importance to the public. It would be monstrous indeed if companies possessing electric telegraphs could circulate slander with impunity; and if they will not deliver up the names of those by whom such messages are transmitted, they must bear the responsibility on their own shoulders. The South Eastern Railway Company has wires of its own, and as the statement came from their own servant, they were undoubtedly answerable for his act in this respect, more especially as they instantly acted on it, and caused the general circulation of the rumour which led to this annoyance and loss to the bank, and which would, inevitably, have closed its doors if provision had not been instantly made to meet all demands. It is a lesson which will not be lost sight of by electric telegraph and railway companies, and will secure individuals from having their credit or character wantonly trifled with.

A prosecution, which for a considerable period excited some attention among the mining community, has this week terminated in favour of the defendants, to the signal discomfiture of the prosecutor. We allude to the case of STOCKWELL v. LORD CHARLES CLINTON and MR. ALFRED JEFFREY. It is needless for us to recapitulate the prosecutor's charges against the defendants; they were fully commented upon at the time the complaint was made before the Lord Mayor, and, after a patient and careful hearing, dismissed. At that period, the causes which led to this unheard-of mode of proceeding were alluded to, and the animus which prompted the display of vindictiveness laid bare. One would have imagined that, after a person had once exposed himself in a witness-box, and there made a most lamentable exhibition before a magistrate, he would not again have had the effrontery to repeat the performance in the presence of a higher tribunal—at least, the motives and the consideration must have been commensurate with the work to be performed. Mr. STOCKWELL was a dealer in "successful investments," and at the same time a bill-discounter. When threatened last year with proceedings before the Lord Mayor, he, acting no doubt under good and sufficient advice, determined to turn the tables on his opponents, and endeavour to prosecute them on a criminal charge. This, however, failed; and the next resource was the preferring, on *ex parte* statements, a bill of indictment before the Grand Jury, which the defendants had no opportunity of disproving, nor, in fact, no knowledge of until the bill was found. The case was moved by *certiorari* into the Court of Queen's Bench, and was tried on Monday last. In opening for the prosecutor, Mr. Sergeant BALLANTINE stated that his client had sustained no pecuniary injury, and that the indictment was preferred solely for the vindication of his character. It may be remembered that, in his cross-examination at the Mansion House, Mr. STOCKWELL could not recognise his own handwriting. He thought the signature was funny, but very like his. It appears that this gentleman suffers under a curious defect of memory, which must be chronic, for he could not call to mind, in the Court of Queen's Bench, whether he had preferred the indictment to the Grand Jury previous to the bills he had got discounted being paid, or afterwards. It was, however, at length extorted from him, that every shilling had been paid before he preferred the indictment. When pressed by Mr. MONTAGUE SMITH, he was also obliged, though very unwillingly, to admit that he did not go before the Lord Mayor on the case until after he had been threatened with proceedings by Mr. BERRY, the solicitor, for detaining Lord CLINTON's acceptance for 250l.—an acceptance which had been entrusted to him to get discounted, and which the defendants could not get back from him without the intervention of their lawyer. On further cross-examination, it also transpired that he had been made a bankrupt, and had been remanded for a fraudulent disposition of his property.

In May last, it appears that STOCKWELL became bankrupt, and on Friday week we were edited by the exhibition of himself in a different character and in another Court,—to wit, the Court of Bankruptcy, before Mr. Commissioner HOLROYD. He then stated that last year he resided at Toldington for four or five months, paying no rent, during which period he carried a poney chaise and a gardener. In his house was a quantity of furniture purchased from different creditors. In October (and this was the period the examination took place before the Lord Mayor) he removed to Waltham, where he likewise did not pay any rent, taking the furniture away before it was due, and removing it to the home of a friend; this being subsequently sold in February to his brother, who in the month of March was in Whitecross-street, at that same time the bankrupt being in Jersey for the benefit of his health. An account of 300l., it was stated in the same examination, was owing to his attorney, who conducted this prosecution. The Commissioner, after making some observations upon the impropriety of persons, head over ears in debt, going abroad for the purpose of avoiding their creditors, adjourned the case for further evidence.

We make no comments on the subject, but it does appear singular that, in the face of such a statement, counsel should be instructed to go for vindication of character. With regard to both defendants, a verdict of "Not Guilty" was, of course, taken—the judge not deeming it necessary that counsel should even address the jury for the defence.

At the time this case was first brought under notice, we expressed our opinion that it would not in any way tend to the advancement of mining, and we still hold the same belief. Gentlemen in the position of the noble defendant will not be inclined to invest capital in undertakings where they are exposed to criminal prosecutions, however innocent they may be. Those acquainted with the interior management of Wheal Zion 12 months since are perfectly aware of the reasons of those who promoted this charge, and the motives which instigated the unnecessary dragging before the public gentlemen who, it has been clearly proved before two tribunals, were totally innocent of the allegations made against them. Notwithstanding Mr. STOCKWELL has dealt in "successful investments," the last does not appear to be one of them, and we would advise that for the future, in such proceedings, it would be as well if he could cure that singularly defective recollection which, unfortunately, he appears to labour under.

In conclusion, it is only justice towards the defendants to record the emphatic language of the Lord Chief Justice of England, in characterising the case to the jury,—"I must say, Gentlemen," said Lord CAMPBELL, "this is a most improper and scandalous prosecution, and reflects the highest discredit upon the prosecutor. It is lamentable to see how charges of this kind may be brought against most innocent and honorable members of society, and I hope some check will be given to such vexatious proceedings." The law ought, indeed, to put a stop to such unscrupulous acts; it should be empowered not only to punish the contemptible puppets behind the curtain, but the designing knaves who play the strings behind.

It has long been considered that some better means of enabling those liable to accidents from the explosion of steam-boilers more effectually to provide for those they leave behind them should be introduced, and we are glad to find that, with a view to accomplishing that object, a society has been established at Manchester, under the title of the STEAM BOILER ASSURANCE COMPANY. An association of this description was first suggested by the late Mr. FORSYTH, manager of the Atlas Boiler Works, who, it appears, attended a meeting on the Wednesday preceding the fearful explosion at those works, whereby himself and eight others met an untimely death. At this meeting, he advised an assurance of lives against boiler explosions, and it is to be hoped that his fate will cause his advice to be immediately acted upon. We have already the Manchester and the Huddersfield Associations for the Prevention of Steam Boiler Explosions, and from the monthly reports we publish, it cannot be doubted that a large number of casualties are avoided through the investigations and vigilance of the officers of those associations; but the number of deaths resulting from boiler accidents is necessarily large, and when we consider that in Manchester and its vicinity alone there are some 50,000 boilers, with an aggregate power of upwards of 1,000,000 horses, the necessity for assurance is evident.

A number of boilers have been some time in course of construction at the Atlas Works for the Russian Railway Company, and 39 had already been tested in the usual way, and dispatched to their destination without accident. On Friday the fortieth, the last of the series, was tested, and from some cause which has not yet been ascertained, one of the plates gave way, and nine deaths have already resulted. The inquest was formally opened on Saturday, and after the bodies had been viewed, was adjourned to the following Friday (yesterday). The list of killed includes Mr. T. FORSYTH, the manager, who possessed a high professional reputation, especially in the North of England; Mr. W. DAWSON, foreman of the boiler-makers; Messrs. NICHOLL and STOCKS, two gentlemen apprentices, the one being the son of Mr. NICHOLL, of Gloucester-crescent, Regent's-park, and the other the son of a surgeon at Dublin; Mr. GUSTAV COUB, the representative of the Russian company; Mr. JOHN GAJEWSKI, a Polish engineer, who was engaged by the Credit Mobilier Company of

France to inspect the engines; two boiler-makers, and a boy. The plate which gave way was completely torn from the rivets, and none of the other plates appear to have been affected. The bodies not badly mutilated were blown a few yards from the boiler, whilst portions of the others were found at a distance of 50 or 60 yards.

In our last Journal we had to record an explosion of an alarming character which occurred at Victoria, South Wales; but in this instance those who have lost their lives have but paid a penalty for their own recklessness. The engineer, the fireman, and another, were seen just previously to the explosion upon the top of the boiler. One of them was observed to put his hand upon the ball of the safety-valve, and immediately after the explosion sat on the valve and the boiler blew up. Four men were killed and several others severely wounded. The boiler was torn into three large pieces, and a large stack was struck at its base by the heaviest of the fragments and fell: fortunately it fell from the sheds, and therefore did no great injury. The damage is estimated at from 2500*l.* to 4000*l.*, and during the repairs nearly 200 men will be thrown out of employ. Thus, in a single week, the death of 13 men was caused by boiler casualties, and six or seven families have been left comparatively unprovided for, so that it would appear that the willingness of an insurance company to accept such risks upon easy terms only requires to be made known to secure them an ample amount of business.

The liquidators of the ASTURIAN MINING COMPANY have announced that on and after July 15 they will pay to the British proprietors a final dividend of 2*l.* per share, making a total of 3*l.* 15*s.*; thus, out of a capital of 224,000*l.*, they will have returned about 85,000*l.*

It may be remembered under what most flattering auspices this association was first introduced to public notice in 1843; then it was the intention of the directors, not only to open the collieries in the Asturias, but likewise to erect iron furnaces, from whence they proposed to supply the whole of the North of Spain, and a considerable portion of the South of France, with that valuable mineral. They commenced lead and copper mines, and had likewise works for the reduction of cinnabar, drawn from one of their own deposits.

A baronet of considerable reputation was the Chairman, while on the board were several wealthy Anglo-Indians, numbering among them a director of the Hon. East India Company. A large and expensive staff was at the seat of operations. The British Consul was the commissioner at Gijon, the port of debarkation. In Oviedo, a colonel was the resident director, and under his immediate supervision was a treasurer and a staff of clerks. Engineers, at heavy salaries, were riding about the country; French cooks superintended the *cuisine*; while the bright and lustrous eyes of Galicians offered recreation in the lighter moments, and alleviated by their smiles the languid tedium of a sultry southern sun. There was a superintending mining manager, with a host of agents; and skilled mechanics of all descriptions were engaged previous to there being any profitable employment found for them. The ores that were raised did not pay one-tenth of their cost; the furnaces were found when put up to be defective, and the necessary consequence of this was that they had to be entirely reconstructed. Not content, however, with the almost Herculean task the directors had undertaken, they projected the construction of a railroad from Mieres to Aviles; and some of them joined in an impracticable scheme, which had the high-sounding name of the Royal North of Spain, and which was under royal patronage, and a number of landless and penniless hidalgos.

While no returns were being made to the proprietors, this expensive and inutile staff was still kept up. So long as the shareholders responded to the calls everything went pleasantly enough; the climate was delightful, neither too hot nor too cold; all could leisurely indulge in their siestas, and enjoy to their heart's content the "*dolce far niente*." The shareholders, at last, began to make enquiries; the establishment was obliged to be reduced; quarrels took place among the proprietors; cabals were formed, and liquidators appointed. They held office for somewhere over twelve months, and the only object they achieved was the endeavour to involve the company in endless litigation, a bill having been filed in Chancery for that purpose; this was disputed by Mr. MACKENZIE, one of the present liquidators, and no more was heard of the gentleman and his colleagues, who in endeavouring to settle the affairs of the association further embroiled them.

The next phase in which the company appeared was under the guidance of trustees, of these being an original promoter of this, and a projector of several other companies. By their influence the seat of direction was removed from London to Paris; a covenant was made by which, on the English shareholders giving up their property at a sacrifice, they were to receive a yearly dividend.

This promise, however, was not fulfilled; a variety of causes for this, which it is bootless here to refer to, were assigned, one of the most significant being, that after the works had made a profit the manager had been robbed by his own servants. For a considerable period affairs were in an unsatisfactory state; the British shareholders had nominated two directors to represent their interests. These were Mr. JOHN CUNNINGHAM FAIRLIE and Mr. KENNETH MACKENZIE; the first was a gentleman of declining health, and consequently the responsibility devolved upon his colleague.

An offer having been made for the purchase of the property, which otherwise, it was plain to be seen, would be irretrievably lost, or, to say the least, of no value to the English proprietors, was accepted on their part by Mr. KENNETH MACKENZIE; the first instalment was paid last May, and the final one was due in the ensuing July; at that period it was not forthcoming, and it is only now that it is in the hands of the liquidators in order to return back to the shareholders a portion of that money which the most sanguine of them could never imagine would have been recovered.

Mr. MACKENZIE has exercised a sound discretion in eschewing law proceedings before foreign tribunals, where he would have had to contend with all sorts of equivocations and delays, and which might have been prolonged *ad infinitum*, or at least so long as any of the property remained which could be realised. The money so obtained must be considered as a "brand snatched from the burning;" had it not been for the exertions of their sole representative for the last three years they would not now be in their comparatively fortunate position. It now behoves them to render honour where honour is due. The services accorded to them by Mr. K. MACKENZIE cannot be appreciated by a money value; but there are graceful modes of recognition that can be offered, alike honourable to those who give and they who receive them.

Notwithstanding our Australian colonies at present yield such large quantities of gold, there is every indication that the production will not only continue, but increase. This fact does not apply solely to Victoria, which hitherto has been the great field for the discovery of the precious metals, and where the richest deposits exist, but to the adjoining colonies. In New South Wales the yield is on the increase from the localities already opened up, and we now have advices of a new gold field having been discovered in that province, near to the Murray River. South Australia, likewise, is showing augmented produce from her gold deposits at Echunga, which has been as limited hitherto in her yield of the precious metals as she is unlimited in her production of the richest copper ore. Western Australia, moreover, is reported as having found gold in small quantities within her territory, while New Zealand, from its continued supply of the golden ore, is now proved to be a wide and lucrative field for mining enterprise. The mother country and the mining interests may justly be proud of these colonies, so richly endowed with mineral wealth of almost every description, which hitherto has afforded wealth to the miner by necessity, and not to the practical and experienced miner, whose efficiency and ability might have produced even still greater results. In addition to these Australian colonies, we now find that gold is produced in considerable quantities in the territories lately belonging to the Hudson's Bay Company, and which, when properly developed, will furnish extensive supplies of this valuable metal, so that the collective amount which will be produced from these various localities within the sovereignty of England will be enormous; and, indeed, there seems no means of determining the quantity which may be brought to the mother country, or transmitted to other places.

RATING COLLIERIES.—The heavy rating of many of the collieries in the South Yorkshire district has long been a matter of complaint, and there appears little hope of any alteration. The great expense of appealing or referring to an arbitration is such as to cause parties in some instances to pay rather than incur the outlay which an arbitration case involves. A case has just been furnished by the Messrs. Charlesworth. That firm were rated to the township of Dotworth at nearly 6000*l.*, and the rating having been disputed it was referred to Mr. Pickering, Q.C. That gentleman relieved them considerably, but the reference cost them nearly 800*l.*. The cost to the township (and which has been allowed by the arbitrator) was 617*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.*. It is said that Messrs. Charlesworth offered to provide for the whole of the paupers belonging to the township to be exempted from rates.

RAILWAYS, BANKS, AND MINES.

BY J. Y. WATSON, ESQ., F.R.S.

The uncertainty of mining has become in a measure proverbial; but, to show that a judicious selection from dividend mines, such as we have always recommended, is not only not more uncertain, but, on the contrary, far more profitable than other modes of investment, we have selected, for the sake of comparison, eight railways, eight banks, and eight dividend mines, showing the prices of each in June, 1857, and in June, 1858:—

	RAILWAYS.	1857.	1858.
London and North-Western	£104	£89	
Great Northern	99½	98	
Great Western	64	49	
Lancashire and Yorkshire	100½	83	
London and South-Western	114	107	
Brighton	75	65	
London and South-Eastern	75	73	
Caledonian	75	73	
	BANKS.	1857.	1858.
London Joint-Stock	£32	£20	
London and County	28	27	
London and Westminster	29	45	
Union of London	27	24	
City	66	57	
Bank of London	51	45	
Western Bank of London	41	31	
Oriental	38	35	
	MINES.	1857.	1858.
Devon Consols	£449	£485	£49 0 0
Mary Ann	45	46	11 5 0
Trelawny	23	26	3 0 0
Basset	240	209	40 0 0
Granbler	109	115	8 0 0
Herodfoot	7	8	1 12 6
South Caradon	320	400	44 0 0
West Seton	310	309	47 0 0
Total	£1485	£1580	£203 17 6

Now, in order to arrive at some practical results from the above figures, let us suppose that in June, 1857, we had purchased a share in each of the mines named, at the then cost of 185*l.*, and invested the like amount in the railways, and also in the banks. It would follow that we should have got two shares, or rather 200*l.* stock, in each of the railways for the sum of 1468*l.* 10*s.*, and taking the interest for the twelve months at an average of 4 per cent. (which we are told is full high), we should have received 59*l.* in dividends, and in selling out now would make a loss of 142*l.* 10*s.*

In the BANKS—Two shares in the London Joint-Stock, three in the London and Westminster, and two in each of the other six, would have cost us 1465*l.*; upon which we should have received—say, 5 per cent., or 73*l.* in the year, and have to sell out at a loss of 168*l.*

In the MINES—One share in each would have cost us 1485*l.*. We should in twelve months have received in dividends 203*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*, or 13½ per cent. on the average, and could now sell at a profit besides of 95*l.*

To carry out the calculation a little further, we find, on capital account, that London and North-Western are 11 per cent. dis.; Great Northern, 2 dis.; Great Western, 51 per cent. dis.; Lancashire and Yorkshire, 11 per cent. dis.; London and South-Western, 7 per cent. dis.; Brighton, 7 per cent. prem.; London and South-Eastern, 35 per cent. dis.; Caledonian, 27 per cent. dis. So that of the eight, one only (the Brighton) is at a premium, and the others at enormous discounts.

Of BANKS—The Joint-Stock is 20 per cent. on 10*l.* paid, or 200 per cent.; London and County, 7 per cent. on 20*l.* paid; London and Westminster, 25 per cent. on 20*l.* paid, or 125 per cent.; Union of London, 14 per cent. on 10*l.* paid; City, 7 per cent. on 50*l.* paid; Bank of London, 5 dis. on 50*l.* paid; Western Bank of London, 19 dis. on 50*l.* paid, or 38 per cent. dis.; Oriental, 15 per cent. on 25*l.* paid.

In MINES—The amount paid on Devon Consols is 1*l.* per share, so that they are at a premium of 48,500 per cent.; Mary Ann, 38 per cent. on 8*l.* paid, or 575 per cent.; Trelawny, 21 per cent. on 4*l.* paid; Basset, 195 per cent. on 5*l.* paid, or 3900 per cent.; Granbler and St. Aubyn, 9 per cent. premium; Herodfoot, 10*s.* dis. on 8*l.* paid; South Caradon, 397½ per cent. on 2*l.* 10*s.* paid, or 15,900 per cent.; West Seton, 263½ per cent. on 38*l.* 10*s.* paid.

It may be remarked by some of our readers, that we have chosen eight mines best suited to our argument; but, be it remembered, we have also taken the best railways and the best banks in England, and the result is evident to all. We have always advocated the purchase in six or eight dividend mines as the best investment of the day, the choice of numbers being upon the principle of the division of risks insuring a profit on the aggregate. It will also be remarked by some, that the losses on speculative mine far more than counterbalance the gains on the dividend mines. Granted. But those who embark in young mines do so knowing them to be pure speculations. They look for certain points to come off, which, if successful, realise them large profits, and, if failures, end in loss. But, unlike railways and banks, every shareholder in a mine knows his liability, and can determine it at the end of any current month; for, under the Cost-book System, the accounts of all well-conducted mines are made up every two or three months, and audited by the shareholders themselves, or by those who attend the regularly convened meetings; and any shareholder, by signing a regular form of relinquishment, and paying up his proportion of liabilities to the day of his signing, is freed from all further responsibility. Far different is it in banks and railways—the sword of Damocles is suspended over the heads of too many in the former, and the experience of the past twelve months in banks, shows that one may consider himself a man of fortune one day, and on the next be involved in misery and ruin. And lastly, we uphold that during the railway mania more money was lost in abortive schemes than has been employed in Cornish mining for ten years; and more has been lost in one bank during the past year than has been lost in Cornish mines, putting all together, for the last 20 years.

REVIEW OF BRITISH MINING FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30, 1858.

BY J. H. MURCHISON, ESQ., F.G.S., F.R.S.

Notwithstanding the continued abundance and the cheapness of money, the commercial interests of the country remain in a comparatively inactive state. Various reasons are assigned for this apparently anomalous state of things. The uncertainty attending the progress of public affairs at home, the complication and alleged mystery of foreign politics, and the drain of gold from the Bank, are among some of the causes which it is stated have exercised an unfavourable influence. But that which has mainly contributed to the existing depression is, no doubt, the unsatisfactory revelations attending the investigations into insolvent estates in the past eight months, which have seriously damaged credit, and greatly impaired confidence in men generally of all classes and positions. It has been proved, also, that trade had been overdone, much of it having been fictitious, and now, when it is brought within its legitimate limits, it produces a reaction in industrial pursuits which cannot fail to have a prejudicial effect for a time. It is probable, however, that the present inaction will be followed by a sudden change, in the extension of trade, and fresh channels being opened for the employment of capital; the prospects of the harvest, the more settled aspect of political affairs, and the low price of money, tending to this conclusion. The only apprehension is that, as on like occasions before, there will be an inclination to rush from one extreme to another, and thus produce results equally disastrous to the public as those we have been of late experiencing. Much caution and discrimination will, therefore, have to be exercised by those who intend to speculate or invest.

That the mining interest is suffering with other pursuits is too well known to those who are engaged in it. But it must also be admitted that the mines generally are not looking or doing so well as they were one or two years ago. In the past quarter, the sum of 74,451*l.* has been divided by British mines, against 131,098*l.* in the corresponding quarter of 1857, being a decrease of 56,647*l.*; while the amount paid by British and Irish mines in the first six months of 1858 is 174,399*l.*, against 261,047*l.* in the first six months of 1857, showing a falling off of 86,648*l.*. In the first six months of 1856 the amount was 221,842*l.*. These unsatisfactory results are partly owing to the low prices given for the ores, which has also induced some companies to keep back their supplies; but it is to be feared that the mines are not really so productive as they were. Some of the progressive mines will probably increase their returns when more ground is laid open, and this, with further discoveries, may be expected to show a better condition of things before long.

At the sale of copper ores in Cornwall, on April 1, the average produce

* This includes Wicklow, 312*l.*; Providence, 2800*l.*; and Minera, 3000*l.*—omitted in the Review for June, 1857.
† Besides the above, this includes Minera, 8100*l.*—omitted in first six months last year.

was 6*l.*, and the price per ton 6*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.*, or 18*s.* 7*d.* per unit. From this it gradually fell till the 29th of that month, when the produce was 6*l.*, and the price per ton 5*l.* 3*s.*, or 16*s.* 5*d.* per unit. The price then rose during May, at the end of which month the produce was 6*l.*, and the price per ton 6*l.* 3*s.*, or 18*s.* 6*d.* per unit. During June a fall again took place, at the sale on the 24th the produce being 6*l.*, and the price per ton 5*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*, or 16*s.* 6*d.* per unit, which is just 1*s.* per ton less than one of the same produce fetched at the beginning of January. The highest price this year was on Feb. 11, when 6*l.* ore realised 6*l.* 12*s.* per ton, or 17*s.* 8*d.* per unit. The average price per unit for the quarter is 17*s.* 6*d.*, against 19*s.* 3*d.* in the previous quarter, and 19*s.* 7*d.* in the corresponding quarter of 1857. In the three months, cake copper has fallen from 117*l.* to 107*l.* 10*s.* per ton. The following are the particulars of the sales of copper ores in Cornwall:—

Quarters ending—	Tons.	Av. prod.	Amount.	Av. price.	Fine cop.
June 30, 1858.	46,923	6.398	£261,388 1 6	£5 11 6	Tons 2992 13
March 31	45,238	6.544	251,841 7 0	5 4 5	2980 7
June 30, 1857	59,972	6.238	311,847 2 6	6 2 4	3188 7

These figures show that the quantity of ore has increased 1625 tons over the previous quarter, and decreased 4049 tons under the corresponding quarter of 1857. The average produce has decreased 0.146 under the previous quarter, and increased 0.140 over 1857. The amount has decreased 20,253*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* under the previous quarter, and 50,259*l.* under 1857. The price per ton has decreased 12*s.* 11*d.* under the previous quarter, and 10*s.* 10*d.* under 1857. And the fine copper has increased 2 tons 12 cwt. over the previous quarter, and decreased 225 tons 14 cwt. under 1857.

The following are the totals and averages for the first six months of 1858 and 1857 respectively:—

First 6 months of—	Tons.	Av. prod.	Amount.	Av. price.	Tons ct.
1858	92,221	6.469	£543,429 8 6	£5 17 10	5922 14
1857	100,737	6.290	660,971 15 0	6 11 2	6341 4

Increase in 1858.	8,506	0.179	£117,542 6 6	£ 0 13 4	418 10
Decrease in 1858					

These figures disclose some important facts, and mostly account for the late falling off in the total amount of dividends paid. It will be seen that there is a large decrease in the quantity of ore, and in the amount realised, while, though the average produce or richness of the ore is slightly higher, yet the price per ton is considerably less. The quantity of fine copper which the mines of Cornwall and Devon yielded in the past six months is 418½ tons below that for the first six months of 1857, while the latter was about 445 tons below the first six months of 1856. The year 1857 showed a decrease of 1346 tons 12 cwt. under 1856, and 395 tons under 1855. Unless, therefore, foreign ores should come in to fill up this deficiency in the home production, the price of copper should become firm as soon as trade improves.

The following are the particulars of copper ores sold at the Tickerings in Cornwall from June 30, 1839, to June 30, 1858 (20 years), extracted from Grylls's "Annual Mining Sheets:—

Date.	Tons.	Amount.	Produce.	Standard.
1839	159,551	£ 92,297 12 6	7½	£110 2 0
1840	147,266	79,728 3 6	7½	108 10 0
1841	135,090	819,949 2 0	7½	119 6 0
1842	135,581	822,870 12 0	7½	120 16 0
1843	144,806	804,445 19 0	7½	110 1 0
1844	132,667	815,246 9 6	7½	109 17 0
1845	137,090	835,350 19 6	7½	103 10 0
1846	158,913	886,755 1 6	7½	106 8 0
1847	148,674	830,739 9 0	8	103 12 0
1848	155,616	825,080 2 6	8½	97 7 0
1849	144,983	716,917 7 0	8½	92 11 0
1850	150,890	814,037 3 0	7½	103 19 0
1851	154,239	808,244 1 6	7½	101 0 0
1852	152,802	829,057 19 6	7½	106 12 0
1853	159,065	1,124,561 2 0	6½	136 16 0
1854	189,687	1,158,756 3 6	6½	140 2 6
1855	188,969	1,212,686 8 0	6½	141 10 0
1856	209,305	1,283,639 8 6	6½	140 0 0
1857	198,697	1,276,844 12 0	6½	139 6 0
1858	183,292	1,083,728 18 6	6½	135 1 0

It will be seen that since 1849 the average richness of the ores has been getting lower, and that though the quantity sold in the last year is the least only since 1854, the amount realised is the least since 1852. During the last few years mines have been worked more economically, and this has, no doubt, enabled poorer ores to be returned to greater advantage than formerly, while the price of copper has also been higher in the last few years.

The sales of British and Irish copper ores at Swansea, in the quarters already referred to, have been as follows:—

June 30, 1858	British	Tons	217	£ 1,667 14 6
March 31	British	34	787 10 6	
June 30, 1857	British	28	182 14 0	
June 30, 1856	Irish	4972	38,692 6 6	
March 31	Irish	728	8,242 17 6	
June 30, 1857	Irish	2288	26,438 6 0	

The latest Board of Trade returns published show the following exports and imports of copper and copper ore for the first five months of the last three years:—

EXPORTS OF BRITISH AND IRISH COPPER.			
	1856.	1857.	1858.
Unwrought	1856	1857	1847
Sheets and nails, &c.	5443	5433	5503
Wrought, &c.	320	1067	1538
Totals	8521	8366	8690

EXPORTS OF FOREIGN AND COLONIAL COPPER.			
	1856.	1857.	1858.
Unwrought and part wrought	1962	597	2380
Imports of foreign and colonial copper.	1856.	1857.	1858.
Copper ore and regulus	26,861	28,690	31,113
Unwrought and part wrought	1,719	646	1,729

Lead has fallen in price, and is at present flat with the other metals. The following are the exports and imports for the first five months of the last three years:—

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EXPORTS OF BRITISH AND IRISH LEAD.

In the past quarter tin has fallen 10*l.* per ton on the metal, and 7*l.* per ton of black tin to the miner, and few of the tin mines are doing well at present. The exports and imports for the first five months of the last three years have been as follows:—

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The accompanying table shows the amount of dividends paid in the past quarter to be 74,451*l.*; and in the first six months of 1858, 174,399*l.*, the latter of which may be thus classified, and compared with the corresponding period of 1857:—

	English.	Welsh.	Irish.	Isle of Man.	Totals.
1858	£127,829	£21,700	£19,750	£5120	£174,399
1857	224,842	14,180	13,625	8400	261,047

Increase in 1858	£ —	£ 7,520	£ 6,125	£ —	£ —
Decrease in 1858	97,013	—	—	3280	86,648

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correct and reliable information. It is also hoped that the plans of the underground workings of Vale of Towy, Great Wheal Alfred, and North Wheal Robert, will be found useful.

DIVIDENDS PAID BY BRITISH AND IRISH MINES, IN THE QUARTER AND SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 1888.

Shares.	Name of mine.	Quarter ending June 30.	Six months ending June 30.
Per share.		Amount.	Amount.
3120	Alfred Consols	£ 0 6 0	£ 0 8 0
10000	Bampfylde	5 per cent.	5 per cent.
4000	Bedford United	0 4 0	0 6 0
300	Bedfordshire	2 10 0	5 0 0
1000	Carn Breca	2 0 0	2 0 0
200	Carn Cwm Brwydro	—	—
128	Cwmystreth	10 0 0	12 0 0
1035	Cradock Moor	0 3 0	0 3 0
1024	Devon Great Consols	8 0 0	8 19 3
4078	Devon and Cornwall	0 7 6	15 28 1
1400	Derwent	—	—
179	Deloath	17 0 0	30 43 0
800	East Durham	6 0 0	18 0 0
2048	East Falmouth	—	—
128	East Pool	2 10 0	3 0 0
3700	Exmouth	0 2 0	11 24 0
1400	Eyam	1 0 0	14 0 0
2560	Foxdale (late of Man)	1 0 0	25 60 0
243	Granby and St. Aubyn	3 0 0	7 29 0
6000	Great South Tolgus	0 12 0	36 00 0
1024	Herodsfoot	0 12 6	6 37 0
167	Levant	2 0 0	3 20 0
400	Lisburne	6 0 0	24 00 0
1024	Mary Ann	2 3 0	23 04 0
20000	Mining Co. of Ireland	—	—
1800	Miners	3 0 0	54 00 0
6000	North Basset	—	—
6400	Par Consols	—	—
200	Phoenix	25 0 0	50 00 0
1000	Pobberno	—	—
500	Providence	2 0 0	11 20 0
20000	St. Ives Consols	1 10 0	7 08 0
476	South Wheal Francis	7 0 0	34 72 0
512	South Tolgus	1 0 0	5 12 0
256	South Trecaradon	10 0 0	25 60 0
6000	Tincroft	—	—
1040	Trelawny	—	—
20000	Vale of Towy	—	—
6000	West Basset	3 3 0	27 00 0
256	West Cadiz	2 0 0	3 12 0
400	West Seton	16 0 0	64 00 0
6400	West Fowey Consols	—	—
240	Wheal Cail	0 10 0	1 20 0
512	Wheal Basset	11 0 0	56 32 0
256	Wheal Buller	10 0 0	23 60 0
4000	Wheal Edwards	—	—
128	Wheal Friendship	—	—
448	Wheal Margaret	2 10 0	11 20 0
80	Wheal Owles	5 0 0	4 00 0
5000	Wicklow Mining Co.	—	—
Total		£ 74,451	£ 174,399

[We shall give further extracts next week, in the meantime we may remark that the present number of this useful work is a most interesting one, containing a great deal of important information respecting the principal mines.]

REPORT FROM NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

JULY 8.—The Coal and Iron Trades here present no new feature of interest, except that the weather has become very much colder, which encourages the home trade a little.

Another fatal accident has occurred at the Derwent Mines; a man named Isaac Batey, with three others, were working in a vein, when a portion of the roof gave way and covered him. Some time elapsed before he could be extricated from his awful position—he only breathed a few minutes after being got out. An inquest was held on the body on Saturday, by Mr. Favell, and a verdict returned of "Accidental Death."

A few days ago two commissioners appointed by the Government arrived at Newcastle for the purpose of making experiments with a view to test the accuracy of those recently made by Messrs. Richardson, Longridge, and others, upon the properties of the Hartley steam-coals, and also the Welsh steam-coals. They commenced operations at Elswick, the scene of the former trials. Nothing as to the result has as yet transpired; it will, of course, require some time to make the necessary experiments. We cannot expect anything positive as the result of their investigations in less than a month, but of course I shall keep you fully informed. The result will be looked forward to with much interest by the owners of steam-coal collieries and others, as their decision will certainly have some influence on the value of this important section of our collieries.

A special meeting of the Northern Institute of Mining Engineers was held on Thursday last, for the purpose of discussing the papers of Mr. I. Marley and Mr. Bewick, on the "Cleveland Ironstone" (Mr. N. Wood, the President, in the chair), and a very interesting discussion took place on this important subject. The importance of this immense deposit of iron is now well known and recognised. Mr. Marley presented some excellent specimens of the ore to the institute, and Mr. Bewick also exhibited specimens of the ore from Rosedale Abbey, his paper bearing particularly on this locality; some of those specimens were from the Magnetic Quarry there, the ore being highly magnetised. A considerable deal of discussion ensued on this formation, known as the Magnetic Quarry, some strenuously advocating the opinion that it has been thrown up by igneous action;—that it is, in fact, a basaltic dyke; while others contend that it has been formed by a slip dyke, the regular veins of ore having been thrown together in a very remarkable manner. It is not a vein of ore, neither is it nodular, but has been termed by some columnar, being thrown together in form something analogous to huge columns. This ore is of a very rich quality, and it differs from the regular veins in this respect, that it contains no organic remains whatever. The map which accompanies Mr. Marley's paper is of great importance, as it shows the position of the different beds which run through the Cleveland district. The iron ore consists of three main beds. Two small seams of coal are found also in a part of the mineral field, but they appear to be but thin, and only of small extent. Some discussion also took place on the probability of the coal seams of South Durham being continued into the Cleveland district: an ideal section given by Mr. Marley appears to favour the idea that such may possibly be the case. This view, however, is opposed by many scientific and practical gentlemen, who fully believe that those seams rise up to the magnesian limestone before reaching the neighbourhood of the Cleveland ironstone. It appears to us that the line drawn on this ideal section is taken from a point too near the bottom of the coal basin to be of much value, as it is well known that the rise in all coal basins gradually increases from the lowest point, and has its greatest rise near the point of outcrop. The subject, however, is one of much interest, and cannot, with our present knowledge, be definitely settled; and we ought not to be too dogmatic in our decision on such subjects, especially when we recollect that not very many years have elapsed since it was fully believed that this same magnesian limestone terminated the coal seams in South Durham.

REPORT FROM YORKSHIRE, DERBYSHIRE, AND LANCASHIRE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT IN CHESTERFIELD.]

JULY 8.—The quarterly meetings of the Iron Trade, which commenced on Wednesday at Wolverhampton, do not appear likely to furnish any accurate solution of the circumstances which have tended to depress the trade, and to maintain that depression for a period much longer than was ever anticipated by the most learned trade prophet. It would seem that the Staffordshire makers have become fully sensible of the permanent injury which has been inflicted upon the trade of that district by the inferior qualities of iron which were manufactured by some makers last year, for the purpose of enabling them to undersell their fellow ironmasters. This system was confined almost exclusively to South Staffordshire. The quarterly meetings are not likely to exercise much influence on the trade. They are reported duller than has been remembered for some time past, and the members of the trade seem unable to devise a remedy. The falling off in the export demand, which for the last few years has been very considerable, is no doubt the chief cause; and this, with the depression in our manufacturing trades, has also assisted in the general result. The iron trade in these counties is tolerably good as compared with that of other districts. There are few houses making short time.

The Coal Trade is dull, and there is not much doing, on account of the depressed state of the trade. As we predicted, the formation of the Colliers' Union is leading to a state of litigation between masters and men, which is exceedingly undesirable. On Wednesday four of the men who were supposed to be the ringleaders in the late strike at the Oaks Colliery, near Barnsley, were brought up at the Barnsley Court-house, charged with leaving their work without a fortnight's notice, in accordance with the rules of the colliery. The masters employed Mr. Blanshard, a barrister of the northern circuit, and Recorder of Doncaster. The turn-outs secured the services of Mr. Roberts, of Manchester, the colliers' attorney-general, who made a very able speech for the men; but the magistrates committed four of them to the Wakefield House of Correction for one

month each, with hard labour. The case excited great interest, and the Court-house and its approaches were densely packed with colliers.

The heavy rating of many of the collieries in the South Yorkshire district has long been a matter of complaint, and there appears to be little hope of any alteration. The great expense of appealing, or referring, to an arbitrator is such as to cause parties in some instances to pay rather than make the outlay which an arbitration involves. A case has just been furnished by Messrs. Charlesworth. That firm was rated to the township of Pickering, Q.C. That gentleman relieved them considerably, but the reference cost them nearly £500; and the cost to the township, which was allowed by the auditor last week, was £472 15s. It is said that Messrs. Charlesworth offered to provide for the whole of the paupers belonging to the township if they were exempted from the rate.

The Dunston and Barlow Iron Company, near Chesterfield, are making great progress in the completion of their new works, situated at Sheepbridge. The three blast furnaces are nearly completed, and the whole of the works present a scene of great bustle and activity. There have been several other cases brought into the County Court against masters for wrongful dismissal, but the Judge (Mr. Walker) ruled that as the masters had fixed the hours, and the men had agreed to them, they (the men) could not alter them without giving the usual notice, and, therefore, non-suits were returned in each case.

The late accident on the Midland Railway, near Chesterfield, has resulted in two deaths. The stoker, Wm. Hickling, the driver, James Bennett, and the signal man, Ambrose Blackham, have been committed on a charge of manslaughter.

There is nothing new in the last mining district of Derbyshire this week with regard to mines in progress of development. A new company is being formed to work the "Fairplay" vein at Peak Forest, which is likely to prove a good mine. A new company is also being formed to work a mine at Roland Hasop, which affords promise of becoming a prosperous undertaking.

I may notice a very interesting spectacle connected with spinning and manufacturing—that of four steam-engines, of 75-horse power each, all in one engine-house, placed two and two, with a fly-wheel to each pair. Several ladies and gentlemen assembled to see them first put in motion, and then the slightest hitch occurred; indeed, they started with as regular and smooth an action as if they had been at work for weeks. They are to turn the machinery in the fine spinning and power-loom factory of Messrs. Thomas Taylor and Brothers, of Wigay; and certainly in no other manufactory in Great Britain, or anywhere else, there is such a sight to be seen. They exceed in beauty the two engines of 150-horse power each, which are working side by side in the engine-house of the older mill; but there is a ponderousness in the latter, and a majesty in their movements, and in that of their huge fly-wheel, which produce a greater impression of power on the mind of the spectator. These mills, with another in a different part of the town, belonging to the same firm, will consume at least 500 bales of cotton weekly, which, we believe, exceeds the consumption of any other single concern in the world. It was very striking to stand in the middle of an immense room, which is to contain 1600 to 1700 looms, and to carry one's eye into another, not so vast, though still large, into which there are openings from the former.

THE IRON AND METAL TRADES OF STAFFORDSHIRE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT AT WOLVERHAMPTON.]

JULY 9.—The past week, although it has furnished little new in regard to the state of the Iron Trade in respect to actual operations at the works, yet has supplied a somewhat novel feature in relation to prices. The quarterly meetings at Wolverhampton, on Wednesday, and on the following day at Birmingham, were chiefly occupied in discussing a proposition to reduce the "list prices" 10s. a ton, but no decision could be come to at all satisfactory to all the first-class houses. There is little doubt, however, that at Dudley, to-day (Saturday), some arrangement will be come to whereby the makers, who are feeling the pressure of competition, will consider themselves at liberty to send out circulars announcing a reduction in price, for both home and American orders, of 10s. per ton.

There is a partial strike amongst the thick coal workers at West Bromwich and the district, consequent upon a notice to drop their wages.

The quarterly meeting of the North Staffordshire Coal and Iron Masters' Association was held at Stoke-upon-Trent, on Thursday, the 1st inst. There was a great attendance of members, and Mr. R. Heath presided. Notice was given to call a special meeting of the association, to consider whether it was not necessary to make a reduction in the present rate of wages in the depressed state of the trade. Some of the members reported that the ironstone miners in their employ had made an application for an advance of wages; but it was the unanimous opinion of the meeting that it was totally impossible in the present prospects of the trade to entertain such an application. The meeting resolved that the prices for the next quarter should remain unaltered for ironstone, pig-iron, and manufactured iron. The iron-works in the district were reported to be in full work, but prices continue low. For ironstone and pig-iron it was stated that there were a good many enquiries, but no amendment in price could be reported at present.

Several of the principal employers of chainmakers at Cradley Heath and Lye Waste, near Dudley, have consented to give their men the rates they demand; and, with reference to the other masters, the men say they will not commence work till they (the men) experience the like treatment.

Lord Ward visited Dudley on Tuesday last, in connection with some alterations that were being made at the school of design there, and gave £500 towards their completion. The fourth annual meeting of the Iron and Coal Masters' Scheme in Shropshire took place at Shifnal, on Saturday last. The schools embraced in the scheme are Madeley, Madeley Wood, Ironbridge, Shifnal, Coalbrook Dale, Broseley, Donington Wood, Kettleby, Lilleshall, and Pool Hill. The successful candidates, with their teachers, attended, together with the clergy and other gentlemen taking an interest in the schools. Among those present were the Rev. J. P. Norris, Her Majesty's Inspector of Schools. Earl Granville, who had been expected to preside, was prevented doing so by his duties in the House of Lords, and in his absence, Mr. H. Dickinson, Severn House, was called to the chair. 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SALE OF COLLIERIES IN NORTHUMBERLAND.

MR. BROUGH WILL SELL, BY AUCTION, at the Queen's Head Inn, Pilgrim-street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Tuesday, the 20th day of July, at One o'clock in the afternoon, all those extensive and well-known COLLIERIES, with the FARMS attached thereto, situated near Newcastle-upon-Tyne, the property of Messrs. Carr Brothers and Co., in the following lots:—

Lot 1.—All that valuable COLLIERY, known by the name of BURRADON COLLIERY, in the parish of Eardon, with the Weetside and Amosford ROYALTIES attached, together with all the COTTAGES, ERECTIONS, MACHINERY, PLANT, and other EFFECTS, belonging to the same. The several mines are held for the following terms of years, viz.:—Burradon, for 31 years from 30th December, 1859, with an agreement from the present proprietor for an extended lease of 42 years from the 30th December, 1857; Weetside, for 21 years from 19th May, 1851; and Amosford, for 27 years from 1st August, 1852. The total of the royalties comprised in the several leases is about 1200 acres.

The coal produced from this colliery is of excellent quality, and is known by the name of "Carr's Hartley Steam Coal." There is a large amount of stone to be made up, and to the purchaser will be entitled.

Lot 2.—All that valuable COLLIERY called SEGILL, with the SEGILL NEW HOUSES, SEGILL MIDDLE and MARE'S CLOSE FARMS attached, situated respectively in the parish of Eardon, together with all the DWELLING HOUSES, COTTAGES, ERECTIONS, MACHINERY, PLANT, and STOCK belonging thereto, including the CROPS of the farms. The extent of royalty or coal mines comprised in the lease is about 1400 acres, and the aggregate average of the farms is about 780 acres.

Also, all those TWO PUBLIC HOUSES, called the Blake Arms Inn, and Hope and Anchor, with a piece of LAND called Woodfield, containing about 7½ acres, and upon which the principal colliery agent's HOUSE is erected, together with a DWELLING HOUSE, now or late occupied by Thomas Hirst, situated respectively in or near the village of Segill.

All the premises comprised in this lot (with the exception of the Hope and Anchor Inn, which is held from year to year) are held under leases for 19 years, from 13th May, 1854, and there is little doubt of their renewal.

The royalty comprises several valuable seams of coal, especially adapted for house, steam, and manufacturing purposes, and the workings of the colliery are extensive. The coals are known by the same name as those of Burradon Colliery.

Lot 3.—All that well-known and valuable COLLIERY, situated near Blyth, called COWPEN COLLIERY, and the extensive ROYALTIES attached thereto, together with the HOUSES, ERECTIONS, MACHINERY, PLANT, and STOCK, belonging to the same. The royalties are held under several takings, and the total acreage so held amounts to about 3700 acres, and of this the Newsham royalty, which is intended for a separate winning, and is very valuable, comprises about 1150 acres. Also, all that FARM called WATT'S FARM, attached to the colliery, together with all the STOCK and CROPS of such farm.

There is a large amount of stone to be made up. The coals produced from this colliery are a first-class steam coal, and are known under the name of "Cowpen Hartley."

Lot 4.—All that COLLIERY, called HARTLEY COLLIERY, in the parish of Eardon, with the three FARMS attached, containing in the whole about 414 acres, together with the HOUSES, COTTAGES, and BUILDINGS, MACHINERY, PLANT, and STOCK belonging thereto, including the CROPS of the farms, and ENGINE SHOPS and MACHINERY at Seaton Sluice, but exclusive of the line of railway leading from the main line of the Blyth and Tyne Railway to the Dairy House.

The colliery is held under lease, or agreement for lease, from Lord Hastings, for 25 years, from 1st May, 1844, and comprise an acreage of about 3000 acres. One of the farms is held from year to year, and the others are held under lease.

The shorts are estimated at about 41½ tons. With the exception of Hartley (which has just been reopened), the whole of the collieries are in full work, with an annual yield, exclusive of Hartley, of about 413,000 tons, and the machinery and plant are in excellent order. The vend of Hartley, when in work, is estimated at 90,000 tons.

The whole of the coals have a wide-spread reputation as a first-class steam coal, and Carr's Hartley coal is in the Admiralty list.

The coals from Burradon are shipped at Wall's End, on the Tyne, by means of a private railway; and those from the other collieries at the Haydock Dock, on the Tyne, and at the port of Blyth, by means of the Blyth and Tyne Railway, which is contiguous to the several collieries.

The whole of the farms (with the exception of Watt's farm) have been wholly or partially drained, and are in excellent condition.

The certain and other rents are moderate.

Printed particulars and conditions of sale will be ready for delivery after the 1st July, and further particulars may be had on application to Messrs. COLEMAN, TURQUAND, YOUNG, and Co., Old Jewry, London; Messrs. FRESHFIELDS and NEWMAN, solicitors, 5, Bank-buildings, London; Mr. GEORGE ARMSTRONG, solicitor, 60, Dean-street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; Mr. WM. ARMSTRONG, colliery viewer, Wingate Grange, Ferry Hill; or to the auctioneer, Blackett-street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

LONDON WORKS, NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

MESSRS. FULLER AND HORSEY are instructed to SELL, BY AUCTION, on Monday, the 9th of August, at Eleven, on the premises, in Two Lots, the extensive FREEHOLD PROPERTY, known as the LONDON WORKS, lately in the occupancy of Messrs. Fox and Henderson, and situated at SMETHWICK, in the parish of Harborne, county of Stafford, adjoining the parish of Birmingham, in the immediate vicinity also of the works of G. F. Muntz, Esq.; Messrs. James Watt and Co.; and the Birmingham Patent Tube Company. It is important to notice that the rates in the parish of Harborne are not more than one-third the amount of those in the adjoining parish of Birmingham.

The WORKS occupy a site of 5a. 1a. 2p. 27y.; they have a frontage of about 455 ft. next Cranford-street, and a frontage of 490 ft. next the private branch of the Birmingham Canal, which communicates with the Grand Junction and other canals, and thus affords facility for water carriage direct from the works to the principal cities and towns in England. The Stour Valley Railway runs past the property. The construction of these works has involved an outlay exceeding £30,000; they were established in 1839 by Messrs. Bramah and Fox, and have been raised to their present importance by Messrs. Fox and Henderson, under whose practical judgment they have been arranged for carrying on the great undertakings in connection with which the name of that firm has been rendered famous.

The BUILDINGS are arranged in a quadrangular form, and are most substantial erections. The entrance is through a gateway (on either side of which are offices and stores) to a spacious yard, in the centre of which is the boiler-house and lofty chimney. To the left is a carriage building shop, 201 ft. by 103 ft.; an iron store adjoining, 97 ft. by 11 ft. The principal range of buildings includes the smiths' shop, 119 ft. by 102 ft.; two anchor smiths' shops and turn-table shop, a fitting shop, 119 ft. by 114 ft., with galleries; a railway wheel shop, the large foundry, 198 ft. by 52 ft.; two moulding shops adjoining, 119 ft. by 64 ft.; core stores and brass foundry. On the right of the yard are pattern makers' shops and pattern stores, pattern stores, a chain shop, stabling, oiler's apartments, and other buildings. The supply of water is unlimited, and free of cost. Coals can be procured for the different purposes at prices ranging from 4s. 6d. to 11s. per ton, and labour is also abundant and moderate. It is proposed to sell the freehold in two lots, giving to each a share of the wharf frontage and a distinct carriage entrance from the road.

Detailed particulars and plans will shortly be ready, and may be obtained by application to Mr. CHARLES CLARKE, Smethwick, who will show the property; to Mr. HORNBLOWER, architect and surveyor, Waterloo-street, Birmingham; to Messrs. SWIFT, WAGSTAFF, and BLENKINSOP, solicitors, Liverpool, and 32, Great George-street, Westminster; to Messrs. BEALE and MARGOLD, solicitors, Waterloo-street, Birmingham; or to Messrs. FULLER and HORSEY, Billiter-street, London, E.C.

NOTE.—A large portion of the purchase-money may remain on mortgage.

TO ENGINEERS, FOUNDERS, RAILWAY WHEEL MAKERS, AND CARRIAGE BUILDERS, ANCHOR SMITHS, CHAIN MAKERS, AND OTHERS.

LONDON WORKS, SMETHWICK, NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

MESSRS. FULLER AND HORSEY are instructed to SELL, BY AUCTION, on Monday, the 9th of August, and following days, at Eleven each day, in lots, at the LONDON WORKS, SMETHWICK, lately occupied by Messrs. Fox and Henderson, the valuable MACHINERY and TOOLS, principally by Whitworth, Nasmyth, Fairbairn, Lewis, Collier, and other eminent makers, including:—

IN THE FITTING SHOP AND GALLERIES.—Eleven self-acting screw-cutting lathes, 6 in. to 16½ in. centre; 18 engine-turning lathes, 14 in. to 24 in. wheel lathes, one very superior long-action ditto, four axle lathes (self-acting), 19 vertical drilling and boring machines, many of them self-acting; three self-acting planing machines, six self-acting screwing machines, universal shaping machine, hydraulic machine for putting on railway-wheels, axle-guard shaping machine, wheel-cutting machine, 700 feet turned wrought-iron shafting, 120 turned pulleys, 54 vices and benches, grindstones, a large assortment of steel tools for the various machines, &c.

IN THE WHEEL SHOP.—Five powerful hydraulic presses, one for pressing bridge links, nuts, &c., one for spoke bending, one for Beattie's patent wheels, one for pressing axle-guards, and one for expanding tyres, with pumps and gearing, worked by steam-power; tyre presses, anchor forges, smiths' forges, two 3-ton cranes, one smaller ditto, blast fan, 6 ft. diameter, driving machines, &c.

IN THE FOUNDRIES.—Eight 5-ton cranes, each 16 feet sweep, 15 feet high, with racking-out gear, chains and blocks; three 50-cwt. cranes (double purchase); one 28-ton traveller, 48 ft. span; a very superior loam mill; 120 ft. of black shafting, benches, one annealing furnace, small cupola, moulding line, &c.

IN THE TURN-TABLE SHOP.—Two very powerful surfacing lathes, with face-plates 13 ft. and 16 ft. diameter; one facing and boring machine, capable of boring cylinders 72 in. diameter; three self-acting planing machines, one superior self-acting radial drilling machine, with 8 in. radius; one 12-ton traveller, 38 ft. span.

IN THE ANCHOR SHOP.—Two Nasmyth's 50-cwt. steam-hammers, with Cornish boilers; one tilt hammer, with 16-horse power horizontal steam-engine and boiler; two powerful Hercules (one to work by steam-power), eight 5-ton and three 3-ton post-cranks, 14 feet to 22 feet in the sweeps; seven scap and finishing forges, seven anchor-smiths' forges with water tuyeres; a chain-proving machine, bed 106 feet long, with hydraulic cylinder 6 ft. 2 in. long, 9 in. ram, and set of three pumps worked by power; chain forges, &c.

IN THE RAIL SHOP.—Two self-acting planing machines, to take in 15 ft. by 4 ft. 1 in. and 11 ft. by 2 ft. 6 in.; one drilling machine, sawing machine, shafting, vices, benches, &c.

IN THE CARriage-BUILDING SHOP.—Two large and five small eccentric planing and shearing machines, one powerful lever ditto, set of plate-bending rolls, 12 ft. 4 in. wide, two machines for straightening L and T iron, two pipe-bending machines, four sawing machines for iron, three drilling machines, circular saw bench, thicknessing machine, 250 feet of black shafting, with 28 turned pulleys; furnaces, vices, benches, pattern-makers' lathes, &c.

IN THE SMITHS' SHOP.—Fan blast, 5 feet; one small Nasmyth's hammer, lever punching machine, one corrugating machine, with dies complete; one Hercules, one Ryder's patent forging machine, five wrought-iron cranes, one small traveller, 150 feet black shafting pulley, &c.

IN THE BOILER-HOUSE AND YARD.—Four 25-horse power high-pressure steam boilers, one very powerful punching and shearing machine, capable of punching 2½ in. hole in 1½ in. plate; two hydraulic proving machines, 15-ton weightbridge, 20 cwt. weighing machine, 5-ton iron post wharf crane, one 10-ton derrick, Henderson's patent, 50 feet sweep; two four travellers, 21 ft. 2 in., and 35 ft. 3 in. span, with double-purchase gearing and rails; fittings in pattern makers' shops, pattern stores, paint stores, and offices; a large assortment of wood patterns, the dies for the various sizes of Lieutenant Rogers's patent anchors.

FOUNDRY.—Boxes and flasks, ladles, stores of various descriptions, and a large collection of other miscellaneous requisites for a first-class engineering establishment.

To be viewed three days prior to the sale. Catalogues may be had at 1s. each, of Mr. HORNBLOWER, architect, Waterloo-street, Birmingham; and of Messrs. FULLER and HORSEY, Billiter-street, London, E.C.—Note.—Approved bills of three months date will be taken from purchasers to the amount of £50 and upwards.

FOR SALE, a 24 in. WHIM HORIZONTAL ENGINE, with a 10 ton boiler, nearly new, in excellent condition, and drawing machine attached. As this engine is very superior in make and condition, parties requiring one will do well to examine it.—Apply to Mr. C. Wessons, 21, Southwark, 23rd Nov.

CORNWALL.—PERRAN ST. GEORGE UNITED MINES (within eight miles of Truro), PERRANABULOE. VALUABLE MINING MATERIALS FOR SALE.

MR. CORFIELD respectfully announces that he has been favoured with instructions to SUBMIT TO AUCTION, on Monday, the 19th July inst., commencing at One P.M., at the above MINES, the following valuable MACHINERY, MATERIALS, &c., thereon, consisting of:—

A valuable PUMPING ENGINE, 60 in. and 100 in. cylinders combined, 8 ft. stroke, equal beam, with four boilers, about 36 tons.

20 in. winding ditto, with better, about 6 tons.

One 80 in. pumping ditto, 10 ft. stroke in cylinder, and 9 ft. in shaft, with three boilers, about 35 tons.

An 18 in. crushing ditto, with crusher, complete, and boiler about 6 tons.

N.B. Should the engines not be sold as described, the boilers will then be offered separately.

3 excellent balance-bobs.

Capstan and other ropes.

A quantity of valuable pumps, varying in size from 12 to 20 in.

2 and 20 do. pieces.

Working-barrels.

Winchbore.

Plunger-poles, with stuffing-boxes & glands.

Brass clacks, seats and valves.

Bucket prongs and caps.

Several prime oak main rods, varying from 45 to 50 ft. in length.

A quantity of excellent timber of various dimensions, an excellent perpendicular saw mill, a cast-iron stamp axle for 3 heads, a set of taps and plates, old brass, and many other valuable materials and effects in general use in mines, with all the usual requisites of a smiths' shop.

The auctioneer, in inviting the attention of mine agents, railway contractors, builders, and others, to this important sale of mining materials, can confidently recommend them, as they are of the first description, and were laid in regardless of expense.

Catalogues will be ready for delivery in a few days.

The lots being numerous, the sale will commence at One precisely, and a punctual attendance is earnestly requested. Refreshments at Twelve.

To view, and for descriptive particulars, apply to Capt. PILL, the agent on the mine; and all other information had of the auctioneer, Perran.

N.B. Approved bills taken in payment, where purchases exceed a certain amount.

Dated July 1, 1858.

RAILWAY WAGONS.

MR. DIXON WILL SELL, BY AUCTION, at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Masbro' Station, on Tuesday, the 20th day of July inst., FIFTEEN RAILWAY MINERAL OR COAL WAGONS, now in use, having wrought-iron wheels.

These trucks are in excellent working condition, and may be seen for seven days prior to the sale at the Siding near the Holmes Station, on the Sheffield and Rotherham Branch of the Midland Railway. The sale at Three for Four o'clock precisely.

Rotherham, June 24, 1858.

STOKE CLIMSLAND CONSOLS, CORNWALL.

MESSRS. MONK AND SON WILL SELL, BY AUCTION, on Wednesday, the 21st day of July, 1858, the WHOLE of the MACHINERY and MATERIALS on this MINE, comprising a 24 in. DOUBLE-ACTING, ROTARY, HORIZONTAL, CONDENSING ENGINE, 6 ft. stroke, with boiler 9 ft. with hauling and pumping gear attached, in first-rate condition; two sweep rods, 9 in. square, with brasses, caps, loops, plates, and pins complete; travelling bob, with gudgeons, bishop's head, saddles, and brasses; shaft bob, 30 ft. long by 1 ft. 6 in. square, with king post, gudgeons, nose plate, bishop's head, bristles, brasses, and balance bob; fend-off bob, with bearings, brasses, and iron-work, complete; 18 fms. of wood main rod, with strapping, plates, bolts and nuts.

PLUNGER LIFT.

18 9 ft. 12 in. pumps.

2 7 ft. 12 in. pumps.

1 3 ft. 12 in. matching.

1 12 in. plunger-pole and cap.

1 12 in. stuffing-box and gland.

DRAWING LIFTS.

9 9 ft. 12 in. pumps.

1 10 ft. 11 in. working.

1 9 ft. 11 in. sinking winchbore.

1 11 in. door and doorpiece, with seating and clack complete.

Shears, 50 ft. high, with sheaves, brasses and stays; capstan, and 100 fms. 10 in. capstan rope, almost new; 60 fms. of flat machine rope, with coupling and pins complete; strapping-plates and bolts; whim and stays (10 ft. each), with oak axle; about 100 fms. of whin chain; poppet heads, pulleys and stays; 80 fms. of iron bar and other ladders; quantity of 2 in. and 1½ in. bucket-rods; 8, 11, and 12 in. buckets, prongs and clacks; about 50 fms. of (from 6 to 12 in.) launders and snails; air machine, with zinc and wood air pipes; a powerful double-purchase crab which; screw stocks, taps and plates; lot of 3½, ½, and ¾ chain; tram iron and saddles, yokes, bevils, set-offs, staples and glands, shaft and winch kibbles and water-barrels, shaft rolls; large single, double, and treble iron blocks; flat rope and other pulleys and stands, cast-steel rollers, a quantity of new round and square iron and steel, loops and chains, miners and smiths' tools, 38 in. smiths' bellows and frame, anvil, vice, hand-screw, pick moulds, grindstone and frame; a large quantity of casing, dividing, and other timber and planks; 8 pieces of balk, 11 ft. long by 13 in. square; several wood sides and roofs, doors, &c.; carpenter's bench, miners and smiths' chests; beam scales, stand, and weights; wheel and handbarrows, tallow, oil, grease, and tar; useful and scrap iron, with other good and useful materials. Also, a horse, cart, and cart harness, hackney and idle saddles and bridle, and some account-house furniture.

Refreshments at Eleven, and the sale will commence at Twelve o'clock.

The auctioneer begs to state that the engine is in first-rate order, having sunk the present shaft to the depth of 60 fms., besides hauling the stuff, and the whole of the materials are well worthy of notice.

The mine is near the main road leading from Horsebridge to Stoke Climsland, and the materials may be viewed on application to Capt. STEPHENS, on the mine; or the auctioneer, Abbey, Tavistock.—Dated Abbey Tavistock, June 17, 1858.

SALE OF VALUABLE FREEHOLD LINED PROPERTY, NEAR CREADLE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

MR. ELLIOT JONES WILL SELL, BY AUCTION, at the Royal Oak Hotel, Creddle, at Six o'clock in the evening of Friday, the 23rd July, ALL those valuable FREEHOLD PLOTS OF LAND, known as the NEAR and FAR LIGHT WOODFIELDS, together with the OUT-BUILDINGS, and MINERALS under the same, in such lots and subject to such conditions as shall be named at the time of sale.

This estate, which contains about 14 acres, is pleasantly situated on a gentle slope, with a western aspect, near to and adjoining the town of Creddle. The highway to Alton forms one boundary, and another boundary is formed by a stream of excellent water.

From the report of a practical mining agent, who has carefully surveyed the land, it is believed there are valuable minerals under his estate; and whether viewed as building, agricultural, or accommodation land, it must be regarded as a desirable property, either for investment or occupation.

For further particulars, apply to Mr. HETON, solicitor, or Mr. KEATES, Burston; or Mr. THOS. KEATES, 112, Bury New-road, Manchester; or the auctioneer, Hanley.

FLINTSHIRE.—IMPORTANT, EXTENSIVE, AND UNRESERVED SALE AT THE GREENFIELD ZEPHYRUS WORKS, close to the Holywell Station, on the Chester and Holyhead Railway.

MR. BELL has the satisfaction to inform the public that he has been retained by the proprietors to OFFER FOR SALE, BY PUBLIC COMPETITION, on the premises aforesaid, on Tuesday, the 20th, and Wednesday, the 21st days of July, 1858 (commencing each day at One o'clock in the afternoon precisely), ALL the valuable MACHINERY, and other millinery effects, consisting of an excellent CRUSHING MILL, constructed on the most approved principle, with cast-iron rollers, 2 feet diameter, 2 ft. wide, cast-iron frame, hammer iron shafts for rollers, 6½ in. diameter, cast-iron slide—brass stepped, wrought-iron stays, and pins, hammer iron levers, including extra shaft and gear to work friction roll, all the woodwork in foundation connected with the mill, balance-bob, wrought-iron hopper, &c.; cylindrical boiler, hemispherical ends, 3 ft. 4 in. diameter, 11 ft. long, complete, with float, safety-valve, lever, and manhole cover, in good condition; cast-iron agitator cylinder, 4 ft. diameter, 9 in. deep, replete with framework, shafting, driving gear, bottom, and cover; two ditto ditto, with wrought-iron levers, shafts, covers, and bottoms; wrought-iron shafting, 38 feet long, with pedestals and brasses, complete two cast-iron driving-wheels for belting, each 3 ft. diameter and 12 in. wide; one ditto ditto, 2 ft. 6 in. diameter, and 10 in. wide; ditto ditto, 3 ft. 4 in. diameter and 6 in. wide; cast-iron cog-wheel, 2 ft. 8 in. diameter and 3 in. pitch; ditto ditto, 2 ft. 2 in. diameter and 3 in. pitch; cast-iron cylinder, 2 ft. 4 in. diameter and 6 in. deep, with bottom and agitator; one 12 in. cast-iron guide pulley; cast-iron steam-cast agitator pulley 3 ft. 6 in. diameter, 2 ft. deep, and wrought-iron shafting, driving gear, and cover; cast-iron receiving pulley, 6 ft. diameter, fitted with wrought-iron shaft, including two crushing rollers, each 6 ft. diameter; shaft level wheel and hop; cast-iron standards; stays, clips, and T-irons, for furnace bracing; cast-iron furnace bearers, doors, frames, dampers, &c., for smelting; old brass, copper, blistered and cast-steel, square bar iron; four cast-iron furnace-pans, to hold about 30 gallons each; a very well made 4½ in. wheeled cart, with iron axle and sideboards, quite new; narrow wheeled ditto, suitable for a pony; a complete laboratory; a considerable quantity of deal balks and planks of various sizes; strong doors, with hinges, bars, and locks; wooden partitions; step and other ladders; one dozen wooden horses, suitable for bench stands or portable tables; two dozen of empty cases, many of them adapted to hold rain water; two hogsheads of charcoal; one dozen strong vices; three dozen shovels and spades; several wrought-iron crucibles; 16 buckets; lime and other riddles; sieves; lot of chains, with hooks; three dozens of plate glass; masons' level; mortar box; six dozen beams; two elevating belts, with iron boxes attached; two strong 3½ in. double leather driving belts; wooden box, with two sluices, each 2 ft. long and 14 in. broad; wooden hoppers; wooden gate, 6 ft. long and 6 ft. 6 in. high; one ditto ditto, one ditto, 3 ft. 9 in. long by 6 ft. 6 in. high; ditto, 4 ft. 6 in. long by 6 ft. 3 in. high; four ditto, each 6 ft. long by 9 ft. high, all new, and fitted with hinges; 50 tons of sifted and unsifted clinders; 20 tons of ground clinders; 6 tons of lime; 10 tons of mortar; several tons of chimney deposit, consisting of zinc ore; lead; fire-bricks; office furniture; and a great variety of other useful articles appertaining to the works.

For further particulars apply to Mr. BELL, the auctioneer, Greyhound Inn, Well-street, Holywell.

MINE MATERIALS.

MR. LITTLE WILL SELL, BY AUCTION, at WEST WHARF, TOWAN, near Redruth, on Thursday, the 18th July inst., at Eleven o'clock, a 60 in. cylinder STEAM-ENGINE, 9 ft. stroke in the cylinder, and 8½ ft. in shaft, with two boilers about 15 tons; a 21 in. cylinder steam winch and stamps, with one boiler about 11 tons, and cast-iron axles, with 24 heads and lifters, complete.

Large cast-iron balance-bob.

Large wood balance-bob.

2 capstans and shears, with pulleys, comp.

130 fms. 12½ in. capstan-rope.

100 fms. 3 in. rods, best iron, with pulleys and stands.

150 fms. 2½ in. rods, ditto ditto

60 fms. 1½ in. rods, ditto ditto

30 fms. 1½ in. iron bucket rods.

40 fms. 12 in., and 12 fms. 10 in. main rods, with strapping-plates, bolts, caps, cheeks, &c.

140 fms. iron stave ladders.

500 fms. good whim chain, ¾ in.

100 fms. horse-wheel pole.

25 fms. bridge rail iron, 10 lbs. per yard.

1 ton common rail iron.

1 water-wheel, 23 ft. diam., 3½ ft. breast, with 6 head stamps, complete.

1 water-wheel, 20 ft. diam., 3 ft. breast, with 6 head stamps, complete.

37 9 ft. 9 in. pumps.

26 9 ft. 10 in. pumps.

1 6 ft. 9 in., and 2 4 ft. 9 in. pumps.

A large number of pulleys, various sizes.

Shaft rollers, quantity of flange and rod bolts, staples and glances, iron wire, smiths' and miners' tools, taps and plates, screw stocks, carpenter's benches, miners' chests, barrow, &c.; single, double, and treble blocks; hand screw, iron skips, tram wagons, new tram wagons, stamps, stamps, beams, scales and weights; lifts, leather rope, &c.; an excellent miners' dial and quadrant, and a large quantity of useful timber.

Dated July 6, 1858.

EXTENSIVE IRONWORKS IN SCOTLAND FOR SALE.

There will be EXPOSED TO PUBLIC SALE, within the Faculty Hall, George's-place, Glasgow, upon Wednesday, the 14th day of July next, 1858, at Two o'clock afternoon, the extensive and valuable IRONWORKS, known formerly as the Northside Ironworks, and now as the NEW CUMOCK IRONWORKS, situated in Ayrshire, and within two miles of the New Cumnock Station of the Glasgow and South-Western Railway, with which they are connected by a branch line, and consisting of THREE BLAST FURNACES, lately erected upon the most improved principles; TWO BLOWING ENGINES, condensing and working expansively, with steam cylinders 45 in. diameter, and blowing cylinders 100 in. diameter, 9 ft. stroke, capable of blowing seven furnaces; and the requisite other PLANT and MACHINERY for carrying on the works on a large scale; and with WORKSHOPS, a FOUNDRY, COUNTING HOUSE, DWELLING HOUSES for MANAGER and AGENTS, WORKMEN'S HOUSES, &c.

The furnaces and all the buildings are erected on feud ground, of which there is about 30 acres. There is an abundant supply of ironstone, coal, and other minerals in the immediate neighbourhood of the works, and it is thought that leases of these could be arranged with the proprietors on favourable terms for a purchaser. The Glasgow and South-Western Railway affords ready and cheap means of transit to the various shipping ports in the Frith of Clyde, as well as to Glasgow on the north, and England on the south. Immediate entry can be given.

For further particulars, apply to the Liquidators of the Western Bank of Scotland, Glasgow; HAMILTON ROSS, writer in Cumnock, Ayrshire; or WALTER MACKENZIE, accountant in Glasgow; JAMES ALLAN, writer, Glasgow; or to BARNHARTT and KIRKWOOD, residents at the Black Cottage, near the works, which will show the works.

Glasgow, June 3, 1858.

TO BE SOLD, at the New Inn, Llantrissant, on Monday, the 26th of July, 1858 (unreservedly disposed of), for the benefit of the creditors of the late Rev. JAMES COZENS, THREE-FOURTHS OF FORCH NEST MOUNTAIN, about 300 acres, containing MINERALS, situated in the parish of Ystradyfodwg, in the county of Glamorgan.

TO COAL AND IRONMASTERS.—TO BE SOLD, BY PRIVATE CONTRACT, AT THE CEPS COAL COKE, AND IRONWORKS, NEAR BRIDGEND:—
A HIGH-PRESSURE ENGINE, 16 in. cylinder, 3 ft. stroke, with fly-wheel, and all the working gear for an inclined plane.
A LOW-PRESSURE ENGINE, 30 in. diam. cylinder, 8 ft. stroke, with parallel motion beam, and metallic piston, &c.
A well got up NEW PATENT SELF-ACTING BRICK MAKING MACHINE, with a gear, complete, and TWO PRESSING MACHINES in connection with it, made by Clayton, London.
HORSE GEAR FOR CHAFF CUTTING, almost new.
An OLD CHAFF CUTTING MACHINE.
The PARTS of a 24 ft. diam. WATER-WHEEL, in good condition (arms wanting).
SEVERAL BLACKSMITHS' ANVILS.
The APPARATUS of a BALANCE PIT, consisting of two carriages, 1 in. chain 50 parts in length, guide rods, sheaves, &c.
Several tons of OLD CHAINS, and other useful materials for collieries and ironworks.
For further particulars, apply to the MANAGER, at the Works.

TO COLLIERY PROPRIETORS AND OTHERS.—
FOR SALE, ONE 80-in. cylinder PUMPING ENGINE, 10 ft. stroke in cylinder, and 9 ft. in shaft, with four boilers about 45 tons, balance-bob, first piece of rod, &c. ONE 33-in. cylinder PUMPING ENGINE, 7 ft. stroke, equal beam, with a boiler about 9 tons, nearly new, balance-bob, first piece of rod, &c. A PUMPING ENGINE, on Sims's patent combined principle, 22 and 40-in. cylinders, 8 ft. stroke, equal beam, first piece of rod, &c. The above are all within four miles of a port.—For further particulars, apply to Mr. THOMAS FIELD, 2, Crown-court, Threadneedle-street, London, E.C.

WELSH SLATE QUARRY.—TO BE SOLD, BY PRIVATE CONTRACT, THE TREFLAN RIVER QUARRY, situated a short distance from the turnpike-road, and four miles distant from the town of Carnarvon, where the most complete facilities for water and railway conveyances are afforded. It comprises the whole of the quarry, and has a level driven into the hill side of about 100 yards, presenting a face of slate of excellent quality, 60 ft. thick, above such level, sufficient cavity at the entrance thereof for tipping there without further cartage. To view the quarry, apply to JEREMIAH DAVIES, at Bank Quay, Carnarvon; and for prices and particulars, to Messrs. NORTH and SON, solicitors, 9, Park-row, Leeds.

GLAMORGANSHIRE.—FOR SALE, A SMALL FREEHOLD WORKS AND COTTAGES, conveniently situated for supply of coal, &c., with or without VITRIOL CHAMBER, MACHINERY, and OTHER PLANT.—Apply to H. and F. GIBBS, Skewen, near Neath.

FOR SALE, A STRONG POWERFUL MILL, suitable for GRINDING METALLIC ORES, PIGMENTS for COLOURS, or any hard substance required to be finely pulverised, being an important improvement on the edge runners hitherto in use.—To be seen on application to Mr. DAN. GYLES, 185, Blackfriars-road, London.

TO BE DISPOSED OF, BY PRIVATE TREATY, A VALUABLE LEAD MINE, in the centre of a good mineral district in NORTH WALES. The mine is very extensive, and covers an area of about 10,000 acres of land. Intersected throughout with a large number of lodes, containing lead ore and blende, of which a great quantity of lead and blende has been raised from the backs of the old level.—For further particulars, apply to Capt. WILLIAM PEARCE, Llandiloes, North Wales. Llandiloes, July 6, 1858.

MILLTOWN SILVER-LEAD MINING COMPANY, TULLA, COUNTY CLARE, IRELAND (LIMITED).
Capital £15,000, in 3000 shares of £5 each.—First call £1 per share.
This company has been formed for the purpose of efficiently working the Milltown Silver-Lead Mine, in the county of Clare.
The lode is composed of spar, blende, mundle, quartz, and lime rock, intermixed throughout with good branches of silver-lead ore, worth about £20 per ton. The blende is worth £3 10s. per ton. Large deposits of ore have been found in the same strata, and carbonate of lime in large quantities lies at the surface, suitable for burning.
The company commenced working on the 19th of April. A winze has been sunk, and the last report (27th June) mentions a course of lead and blende in the very bottom of the winze being visible, about 18 in. wide.
Specimens have been received, and may be seen at the offices of the company, No. 9, Westminster-street, Dublin, where also applications for shares, prospectuses, &c., may be addressed.

BREA CONSOLIDATED TIN AND COPPER MINING COMPANY (LIMITED),
NEAR ST. IVES, IN THE COUNTY OF CORNWALL.
In 12,000 shares of £1 each.—Deposit 10s. per share.
No future call will exceed 1s. per share, and an interval of three months will elapse between each payment.
BANKERS—Messrs. Wm. Wms. Brown and Co., 58, Commercial-street, Leeds.
SOLICITORS—Messrs. Payne, Edmondson, and Ford, 58, Albion-street, Leeds.
BROKER—Richard Binney, Esq., 48, Albion-street, Leeds.
SECRETARY—J. R. Heales, Esq., OFFICES—10, PARK ROW, LEEDS.
Applications for shares to be made to the broker, and the secretary, at the office, where prospectuses may be had, and a plan of the estate inspected.

THE LONDON AND NORTH SEA FISHERY COMPANY (LIMITED).—Capital £100,000, in 20,000 shares of £5 each.
Deposit £1 10s. per share.—Future calls not to exceed £1 per share, payable at intervals of not less than three months.
DIRECTORS.
DONALD NICOLL, Esq., M.P., 14, Park-lane, Hyde-park—CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Mr. WM. HAGGIS FORGE, Billingsgate—MANAGING DIRECTOR.
BANKERS—The Union Bank of London.
SOLICITORS—Messrs. London and Buckle, 25, Fleet-street, London.
SECRETARY—Mr. H. Stephenson.
OFFICES—74, KING WILLIAM STREET, E.C.
This company is formed by parties engaged in the fishing trade, to afford a regular supply of fish to London and country markets—a want now greatly felt. They are about to place a large establishment at King's Lynn, and already possess nearly 40 vessels, ranging from 50 to 90 tons burthen, which number is to be greatly increased. The enterprise is supported by the Corporation and inhabitants of Lynn, and by the directors of the East Anglian and Eastern Counties Railways, with whom favourable arrangements have been made for the conveyance of the fish. The managers are all practical men in the trade, and the utmost economy in the administration will be exercised by the directors. The lucrative nature of this branch of trade is well known to all concerned in it. Applications for shares to be addressed to the secretary, at the office.

THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.
Established in 1836, with a Paid-up Capital of SIXTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS.
Has now Accumulated Funds Invested to an amount EXCEEDING ONE MILLION STERLING.

STEAM-ENGINES.—IMPORTANT TO MINERS, MANUFACTURERS, CONTRACTORS, AND ALL REQUIRING STEAM-POWER.
MESSRS. R. AND J. COUPE, CLAYTON FOUNDRY, WIGAN.
MANUFACTURERS OF HORIZONTAL HIGH-PRESSURE STEAM-ENGINES, from 6 to 200-horse power, have at present ON HAND, COMPLETED—
ONE of 30-horse power, 20 in. cylinders, 3 ft. stroke, equilibrium slide piston valves.
ONE of 40-horse power, 24 in. cylinder, 4 ft. stroke, equilibrium piston valves.
ONE of 22-horse power, 17 in. cylinder, 3 ft. stroke.
SEVERAL of 12 in. cylinders, 3 and 2 ft. stroke.

Besides these, they have TWENTY to THIRTY others ready for putting together, all the wrought and cast-iron work being ready, bored, turned, planed, and fitted. All the engines are fitted with wrought-iron shafts and cross-heads. By confining themselves to this particular class of engines, the use of their first-class tools, and the manufacturing of their engines in sets of some half-dozen of each size, thereby reducing to a minimum the time lost in altering the machines to take in the different work, the proprietors are enabled to offer a first-class article at a really low figure.
Applicants will please to state for what purpose the engine is required, and whether wanted with or without governors, polished or black; but a personal inspection is earnestly requested.

GAS ENGINEERING.—GAS WORKS ERECTED FOR PRIVATE USE, as well as for VILLAGES, TOWNS, or CITIES, at home or abroad. Old Gas Works Remodelled and Leased. References to fifty gas works.
GEORGE BOWER, St. Neots, Hunts.

PATENT LEVER BREAK, FOR RAILWAY WAGONS, doing away with the objectionable break rack. Can be APPLIED to EXISTING STOCK at a TRIFLING EXPENSE. Royalty moderate. Models can be seen at 34, Great George-street, Westminster; and the breaks in action at the works of the Railway Carriage Company; at the Peterborough Station, on the Eastern Counties Railway; the Rugby Station, London and North-Western Railway; the Cardiff Docks Station, Taff Vale Railway; and at the Works, Oldbury, near Birmingham, where all communications are requested to be sent.

ASSAY OFFICE AND LABORATORIES.
DUNNING'S ALLEY, BISHOPSGATE STREET WITHOUT, LONDON.
Conducted by JOHN MITCHELL, F.C.S., Author of *Manual of Practical Assaying*, Metallurgical Papers, &c.
Assays and Analyses of every description performed as usual. Special Instruction in Assaying and Analysis. Consultations in every branch of Metallurgical and Manufacturing Chemistry. Assistance rendered to intending Patentees, &c.
For amount of fees, apply to the office, as above.

NEW PATENT ACT, 1852.—MR. CAMPIN, having advocated Patent Law before the Government and Legislature, and in the pages of the *Mining Journal*, &c., is now READY to ADVISE and ASSIST INVENTORS in OBTAINING PATENTS, &c., under the NEW ACT.
The Circular of Information, gratis, on application to the Patent Office and Designs Registry, 156, Strand.

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—MAPPIN BROTHERS (Manufacturers by Special Appointment to the Queen) are the only Sheffield makers who supply the consumer in London. Their London Show Rooms, 67 and 68, KING WILLIAM STREET, LONDON BRIDGE, contain by far the LARGEST STOCK OF DRESSING CASES, and LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S TRAVELLING BAGS, in the world, each article being manufactured under their own superintendence. MAPPIN'S GUINEA DRESSING CASE, for gentlemen.
LADIES' TRAVELLING and DRESSING BAGS, from £2 12s. to £100 each.
GENTLEMEN'S ditto ditto, from £3 12s. to £40.
Messrs. MAPPIN invite inspection of their extensive stock, which is complete with every variety of style and price.
A costly Book of Engravings, with prices attached, forwarded by post on receipt of 12 stamps.
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RAILWAY WAGONS.—WILLIAM A. ADAMS AND CO.
MIDLAND WORKS, BIRMINGHAM.
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IN STOCK—FOR SALE OR HIRE.

THE RAILWAY CARRIAGE COMPANY,
OLDBURY, NEAR BIRMINGHAM.
MANUFACTURERS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION OF RAILWAY PLANT AND IRONWORK.
NEW AND SECOND-HAND RAILWAY WAGONS ALWAYS IN STOCK FOR SALE OR HIRE.
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